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WENT TO THE MARDI GRAS

Hancock County's Mardi Gras activities wrap up with Krewe of Seahorse and Krewe of Real People Next Generation parades



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Captain Longbeard Albert Ghergich and Lady Claiborne Noel Allen Lizana on Monday led the way for the 7th annual Mystic Krewe of the Seahorse Lundi Gras parade in Old Town Bay St. Louis.

BY GEOFF BELCHER
NEWS EDITOR

Old Town Bay St. Louis celebrated Lundi Gras and Mardi Gras in classic style on Monday and Tuesday as the Mystic Krewe of the Seahorse and the Krewe of Real People

Next Generation wrapped up the 2020 Carnival season.

"Happy Mardi Gras!," Krewe of Real People Queen Dr. Cherie Labat yelled Tuesday as she and husband King Dr. Myron Labat were transported down Main Street in a gleaming white carriage drawn by two enormous



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The Krewe of Real People: Next Generation on Tuesday hosted its third annual Fat Tuesday Mardi Gras parade in Old Town Bay St. Louis, continuing the decades-old Real People tradition. This year's king and queen were Dr. Myron Labat and Dr. Cherie Labat.

black horses.

Tuesday marked the third annual parade for KORP:NG, but the krewe is carrying on a decades-long tradition.

The new krewe was founded by the children and grandchildren of the original Krewe of Real People.

Hancock County NAACP President

Gregory Barabino served as this year's grand marshal for the parade.

On Monday, the Mystic Krewe of the Seahorse also rolled through Old Town before a huge crowd of revelers

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Waveland Mayor switches political parties

BY CASSANDRA FAVRE
STAFF WRITER

The Hancock County Republican Executive Committee on Friday welcomed Waveland Mayor Mike Smith to the Republican Party, which marked his official departure from the Democratic Party.

Gov. Tate Reeves delivered the MSGOP wel-

coming speech at Waveland's City Hall.

Reeves referred to Friday as a "great day" and "cause for celebration."

"Since he (President Donald Trump) got elected president, we have seen a number of people switch parties and choose to join the big tent party," Reeves said. "Turning stereotypes on their head, President Trump showed the nation that there is room for everyone in our Republican Party. From Congress to City



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Waveland Mayor Mike Smith speaks during last week's event.

Hall, people across the country are realizing that their values align with

ily; personal independence; religious liberty; and American exceptionalism. We are the great opportunity party for a reason. We believe that every American deserves an equal opportunity to succeed. It is not the government's job to set people up for success, it is their job to not stand in their way for providing for themselves and their families."

Reeves said that Smith has a "long history" of service to the community, which began with serving as a

firefighter for the city of Waveland in 1988.

"When he later made fire chief for the city, Mike has been a pillar in the community working diligently to take care of his fellow Mississippians," Reeves said. "That work ultimately led him to get elected mayor here in 2014. Now, in his second term, Mike continues to fight for those who elected him and even those

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10-year-old's quick thinking saves mom's life

BY CASSANDRA FAVRE
STAFF WRITER

When her mom passed out behind the wheel of the car, 10-year-old Jami-Anne Moseley sprung into action and took the necessary steps to save her mother's life.

The North Bay Elementary student on Feb. 12 had just gotten off the bus. Her mom, Patricia Moseley, was waiting to pick her up.

"She told me she wasn't feeling well and she had a rash," Jami-Anne said. "I told her she needed to go

the hospital. She started to drive there, but then she swerved off the road into the parking lot of the Rusty Rail."

Jami-Anne said she immediately pressed the car's OnStar emergency button and got on the phone with a representative.

"They asked me what was wrong and I told them my mom had passed out," she said. "I was asking them if I could get an ambulance there."

Jami-Anne said the OnStar representatives asked her several questions about her mom's health history, some of

which she didn't know.

At that point, Jami-Anne said, she was getting frustrated with OnStar and started raising her voice in panic.

Then, Waveland police officer Paul Taylor pulled up to the scene.

"He opened the door and tried to get her to come to," Jami-Anne said. "He went and got her a Sprite and she came around a little."

Once the firefighters arrived, Jami-Anne said they gave her mom oxygen.

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From left, Waveland Police Officer Paul Taylor and Jami-Anne Moseley.



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Krewe of Diamondhead Parade 2020

Group celebrates 44th annual parade with ‘The British Invasion’ theme



On Saturday, the Krewe of Diamondhead celebrated its 44th annual family-friendly parade, led by King Scott MacNamee, Queen Jamie Morgan.

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who didn’t, taking the next step to represent his fellow Mississippians to the best of his ability.”

Smith said that Friday was a “very important” day for him.

“I want y’all to understand that the Republican Party has been such a big partner with the city of Waveland and it starts in D.C.,” Smith said. “The D.C. side has been great for us. We just got

back the \$1.4 million of de-obligated FEMA funds. Now when we get to the state level, every major project we’ve asked for has been supported and approved by the Republican leadership in Jackson.”

Smith said that he receives a “overwhelming” reception from the Republicans when he attends the Mississippi Municipal League Conference in Jackson.

“Knowing that I was a Democrat from a very small town that sits in an awkward position on the coast,” Smith said.

“When I took office we had every city building, except a police station,” Smith said. “Our policemen were in a double- wide trailer at the end of the road. And so, Jack Cleveland, Sen. (Philip) Moran, and Ms. Myrtis (Franke) stepped in, knew we had an issue, and now they’re (police department) sitting in a \$7 million, 13,000 square foot building that is hurricane-proof. So that’s the major part there. We just built the community center, totally funded by MDA, but with Republican leadership.”

Smith said that the Republican Party has played a “major” role in his life since he was elected as a Democratic mayor.

“And they didn’t care whether I was Democrat or Republican or not, and this is nothing about them wanting me to switch,” Smith said. “It’s me saying thank you. Thank you to all you who have done these incredible things in our very small city that we have. We have much more to do and I think with Republican leadership, we can get it done.”



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Gov. Tate Reeves welcomes Mayor Mike Smith to the Republican Party.



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MYSTIC KREWE OF THE SEAHORSE LUNDI GRAS PARADE 2020



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The Mystic Krewe of the Seahorse’s annual Lundi Gras parade rolled Monday evening.

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for its seventh annual Lundi Gras parade, the only one on the Coast.

The MKOTSH was led by a Captain Longbeard and Lady Clairborne, in lieu of the king and queen who led the krewe in the past. Named to their posts in December and celebrated at the Mutiny on the Bay Pirate Party held Jan.18, Captain Longbeard is Albert Ghergich and Lady Clairborne is Noel Allen Lizana. They will preside over all events related to the Seahorse Krewe this year, including Pi-

rate Day in the Bay, the Seahorse Open and the Lundi Gras parade, plus other community events.

Organized by volunteers with the Krewe, the Lundi Gras parade is growing each year and was recently named a Top Twenty Festival or Event by Southeast Tourism Society, a non profit organization dedicated to promoting travel and tourism within twelve states..

“This krewe has really developed well in a short time,” said Ginny Cabell, a Seahorse board member and one of the parade organizers. “Our members have helped us brand something very unique. The krewe has enveloped a commu-

nity, brought in out of town visitors from our surrounding states and beyond, and allowed us to give back to our community.”

The Bay’s own Raw Oyster Marching Club and Bay Ratz Marching Battery set the pace at the Seahorse parade; and the Bay Ratz marched again with the Krewe of Real People, as well.

On Saturday, the Krewe of Diamondhead celebrated its 44th annual family-friendly parade, led by King Scott MacNamee, Queen Jamie Morgan. The theme for this year’s Carnival season was “The British Invasion.”

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“After they got there, I remembered the password to my mom’s phone,” she said. “I pulled up a list of her medications and gave it to the fire department. I also found her driver’s license and gave her information to one of the firemen.”

When the ambulance arrived, Officer Taylor made sure that Jami-Anne would be able to ride with her mom to the hospital.

Jami-Ann’s dad, Roger, said that his wife had gone into anaphylactic shock,

caused by a bite of some sort.

Roger said he was grateful for Taylor’s help through the ordeal.

“I was right there when the call came in,” Taylor said.

Jami-Anne said that by the time Taylor arrived, she was panicking and thinking “what’s wrong with my mom” and “I’m mad at the world right now.”

“He (Taylor) started talking to me,” she said. “I’m grateful that he came by. If it hadn’t been for him, she wouldn’t be here today.”

Taylor said he is not the one to credit for saving Patricia’s life, Jami-Ann is.

“She’s the one that kept talking to the OnStar and dispatcher,” he said.



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Dr. Kao will begin seeing patients March 3, 2020. Call our office at 228-467-2555 to schedule an appointment.

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The Krewe of Real People Next Generation Mardi Gras Parade rolled through the streets of Bay St. Louis on Mardi Gras Day.

KREWE OF KAMEHAMEHA CELEBRATE JEWELS OF THE SEA



From left, Mary Alice Sierveld, Noni Buchanan, Eva Amos, Jan Wiley, Janie Lamb Dropco, Ken Dropco, Gary Wiley, Hawes Amos, Bill Buchanan and Rick Sierveld.

BY LEANNE GUIDRY

Only a mere month ago Diamondhead Boaters Association, Krewe of Kamehameha, coronated new royalty in an enchanted garden setting. King Ken Dropco and Queen Janie Lamb Dropco’s story continued in the kingdom of Diamondhead taking their royal subjects exploring for Jewels of the Sea on February 8th, 2020. Mardi Gras ball chairman, Barbara Miller, with the help of Pamela Marshall’s talents set guests a sail with glittery sea life decor and faux aquarium tablescapes. The evening was full of traditional pageantry, dancing and whimsical entertainment.

The krewe’s 45th Mardi Gras Ball kicked off with Ron Rech, master of ceremonies, captivating the crowd with a descriptive introduction to what the night would entail after his grand entrance to “Minnie the Mermaid” by Firehouse Five, with his very own mermaid in tow! Acknowledgment of past courts, royal dolphin recipients and royalty from other Mardi Gras krewes in attendance were recognized and welcomed prior to the court’s Jewels of the Sea presentation.

King Ken and Queen Janie’s presentation of



Queen Janie Lamb Dropco and King Akua Kai XLV, Ken Dropco.

their royal court was cleverly chosen to match jewels and colors of the ocean. Maids and lady in waiting carried lavish feathered Mardi Gras masks that coordinated with their gowns, and the jewels they represented. Maid Mary Alice Sierveld and her escort Duke Rick Sierveld wore Emerald colored attire and entered from the back of the crowd to “Green Eyed Lady” by Sugarloaf. Sapphire was the jewel Maid Noni Buchanan and Duke Bill Buchanan adorned. Maid Noni dressed in a royal

blue empire waist gown and Duke Bill wore a matching vest and bow tie. “Knee Deep” by the Zac Brown Band played as Maid Eva Amos and Duke Hawes Amos made their entrance. Maid Eva’s frock was a full gown with glittery top signifying Jade. An amethyst colored sequined evening dress was sported by Lady in waiting Jan Wiley who was accompanied by Equerry Gary Wiley. However, the moment everyone waited for was for His Royal Highness, King Ken Dropco, Akua



From top left, Duke Bill Buchanan, Duke Hawes Amos, Queen Janie Dropco, King Ken Dropco, Equerry Gary Wiley and Duke Rick Sierveld. From bottom left, Maid Noni Buchanan, Maid Eva Amos, Lady In Waiting Jan Wiley and Maid Mary Alice Sierveld.

Kai XLV and Her Royal Majesty Queen Janie Dropco.

King Ken stood out in his white tux and gold vest and bow tie, and Queen Janie’s ball gown sparkled in glittery gold and champagne colors like a vibrant colored diamond. As the spotlight followed them through the tables of guests and krewe members the king and queen’s jeweled robes trailed behind them as they made their way to the stage. All hail the King and Queen! Toasts were made and glasses clinked before the King

and Queen honored their royal subjects with a first dance to “Turn Around and Look at Me, by the Vogues. Soon after the master of ceremonies asked for all to be seated for the Boaters surprise entertainment.

Lights were extinguished, and “Orinoco Flow” by Enya played as performers, Mary Mizell, Gail Hutchings and Leslie O’Neill, in large lite wings glided on the dance floor mimicking bioluminescent creatures under the sea. You could hear ooh and aah from all the tables

throughout the room in amazement of the dancers’ water like movements. The beautiful choreography was created by the lovely Mary Mizell. Cool Rayz band played for the remainder of the night while the party goers ate and drank the night away!

Another spectacular ball for Krewe of Kamehameha comes to an end. The Diamondhead Boaters Association continues their festivities throughout 2020. Happy Mardi Gras, and laissez les bons temps rouler!

MARDI GRAS PARADE AT DUNBAR VILLAGE



Last Wednesday, students from the Pre-K 4 class at the Discovery Child Care Center in Pass Christian hosted a Mardi Gras float parade for the elders at Dunbar Village Nursing Center in Bay St. Louis. The children also passed out beads to the elders.

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Meyers’ crescent sets on OLA volleyball

BY JOSEPH W. GEX, II
STAFF WRITER

Longtime OLA volleyball coach Mike Meyers recently announced to his players that he was retiring from coaching the sport that he made his own throughout the state of Mississippi.

The mascot of Our Lady Academy is a crescent moon which is always a rising moon; however, there always comes a point in time when these celestial objects we adore must set. And, for perhaps the most successful and well-known volleyball coach, regardless of classification, the time has come for Mike Meyers.

He stated, “I feel very fortunate to have had the opportunity to coach at OLA for the last 20 years and get to work with the incredible young ladies who have made our program so successful. They recognized what we were trying to accomplish, totally bought in to the program and have established a tradition second to none. I will always be indebted to these young ladies for their hard work, dedication and loyalty to OLA Volleyball and to me. What makes it so satisfying is that their on-court success pales in comparison to what wonderful young ladies they are.”

He added, “There are way too many people who have helped make our success possible to try and mention here, but I would be remiss not to acknowledge Coach Steve Reboul who has been my good friend and assistant coach through all the years. Thank you to all who have been a part of our program. And with the young ladies who are in our program today, the future is bright. It has been really fun to watch Mississippi volleyball grow from one class in the early years to play in six classes next year. It is the fastest growing sport in Mississippi. This is certainly a bitter-sweet decision, but I will be their biggest fan, and I look forward to having more time to spend with my two grandsons, just like I was able to do with my daughters.”

Meyers took over the OLA volleyball program in 2000 after watching a game his oldest daughter, Emily, was playing in. What he saw was not necessarily volleyball but an opportunity to effect a change in the lives of the girls who played it. And, shall we say the rest is history.

A brief background of Meyers gives one a look into what made Meyers the coach that his players feared, respected, understood, and, most of all, loved.

Meyers is a 1969 graduate of Saint Stanislaus College where he was the salutatorian of his class. He was a standout football player who also was a state champion in the shot-put for the track and field team. His best mark of 54’6” remains the school record at SSC today.

Following graduation, Mike signed a scholarship to play football at Louisiana Tech University where

he was a teammate of NFL Hall of Fame inductee Terry Bradshaw.

Meyers was a two-year starter for LA Tech and then remained as a graduate assistant coach for a year before he embarked on a highly successful high school coaching career in football and baseball in the Baton Rouge area for a little over a decade.

Meyers returned to his native Bay St. Louis in 1989 to open Mike Meyers State Farm Insurance Agency which he still operates today.

But, once a coach, always a coach. And, he saw a need at OLA when his daughters - Emily and Amanda - were at the school.

So, in 2000, he took over the reigns of the volleyball program without all the ins and outs of the sport. He called coaching contacts in Louisiana for pointers and insight where the sport had been flourishing for years. It did not take long for the coaching bug to bite Meyers again and he was all in.

In 2000 volleyball was a fledgling sport in the state and all schools competed against each other no matter the size of the school.

Meyers led the Crescents to the division title and the state playoffs for the first time. The next year, 2001, Meyers and his squad repeated as district champions and eventually played in the state title game where they fell to Tupelo and finished as state runner-up.

In 2002, Meyers and his Crescents broke through the glass ceiling as somewhat of a Hoosiers reincarnation beating Southaven for what would be the final overall state championship in volleyball. That was the first state championship, but there would be many more to follow.

In 2003 the Mississippi High School Activities Association split the sport into two classifications - Class I and Class II. OLA won the inaugural state championship for two classifications for their second state title.

Later on in 2010, the state split again into three classifications and again into four classifications in 2019. In 2020, the state will split again into six classifications.

Under Meyers’ tutelage, the Crescents have won 20 division titles consecutively, played in 17 state title games (2001-03, 2006-2019), and won 14 state championships (2002-03, 2006-09, 2012-19) including the last eight in a row. Meyers’ teams have won classifications at every level as the sport has grown. His career record boasts an 80% win percentage with 593 wins against just 144 losses. All of that is a Hall of Fame stat line no matter how you read it.

Last year there were over 450,000 girls playing volleyball in the United States and it is still growing. In fact, it is the fastest growing sport in the country, regardless of gender.

At OLA, the Crescents played volleyball the Mike Meyers way and it



Photo courtesy of Melissa Escher, OLA
OLA head coach Mike Meyers (right) gives instruction to his squad during a tournament in 2019.

delivered results on and off the court. His oldest daughter, Emily Meyers Corley, who serves as the school’s Athletic Director, commented, “My dad made a huge impact on those of us who were lucky enough to play for him. He instilled a drive to be your best self on and off of the court. He taught that you have to not only work hard but to plan a path for your goals. Through his work ethic for the volleyball program he created a sense of pride in each girl and a sense of pride for OLA. I am not only proud to be his daughter and to have played for him but also to have coached with him. He is intense but the most kind and caring person you will meet. We will miss seeing my dad and Mr. Steve Reboul on the bench but I know and they know that once a Crescent, always a Crescent.”

During his time at OLA, Meyers was always quick to answer that he had great players which made winning much easier. But, they were not great players to begin with. It took time to hone their skills and develop within the state’s greatest dynasty regardless of sport.

Meyers truly had some great players like Gatorade Player of the Year Brittany Corder who never lost the final game of a season. Then, there was Emma Funk who also never lost the final game of a season. Funk also brought home hardware of her own playing for Meyers. Funk was selected as the MaxPreps National Player of the Year two years ago and was also the first MaxPreps All-American in Mississippi in the sport.

Just two short years later, this past season Rebecca Walk, who also never lost the last game of a season, was named an All-American by PrepVolleyball after leading the nation in kills (883) and hitting percentage (66%)

There have only been three All-Americans in volleyball in Hancock County history and he coached two of the them.

Meyers always was keen on preparing the girls for life off the court and parents were very appreciative of the big picture he taught them.

KK Walk, mother of five-year starter and All-American Becca Walk, commented, “Mike has been an amazing coach for these girls on so many levels. He not only teaches them the value of team work on he court but in life as well. He has been a blessing to every girl he has coached!”

The biggest lessons Meyers taught the girls on

the court had nothing to do with the sport. He taught them how to prioritize goals and have a plan for later when the court is not around. His effect on his players reached beyond the court. That is a true coach, in every sense of the word.

His most recent star on the court Becca Walk, a South Alabama signee, stated, “Coach Mike has taught our team countless lessons not only about volleyball but about life that we will take with us outside of high school. We have been so blessed to have him as a coach throughout our high school years.”

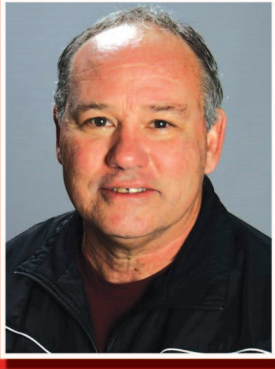
While this Crescent that is Mike Meyers is

setting on OLA volleyball, there is no person in the state that can argue or debate the influence that Meyers has had on the court and beyond. His star burns eternal in the Father Peter Mockler Gymnasium which is the “House that Mike Meyers built”.

There is only one

thing left to do and that is give that court a name. And, I know the perfect one that bridges the school to the community to the mission. It is two syllables and won’t take much paint.

Congratulations, Mike, on a career that has risen and will never set!



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- Baseball: St. Stanislaus at Dutchtown (Stephen Richardson Tournament), 6 p.m.
- Golf: Bay High, Hancock, St. Stanislaus at The Bridges, 2:30 p.m. (boys)
- Golf: Hancock, OLA, Pass Christian at Sunkist, 9 a.m. (girls)
- Softball: Hancock at Pascagoula, 6:30 p.m.
- Softball: OLA at Pass Christian, 6:30 p.m.
- Tennis: SSC/OLA vs Long Beach, 4 p.m.
- Track and Field: Hancock at West Harrison, 4 p.m.

FRIDAY

- Archery: OLA at Cougar Classic, TBD
- Baseball: Hancock at St. Patrick, 7 p.m.
- Baseball: Pass Christian at Long Beach, 7 p.m.
- Baseball: St. Stanislaus at Catholic High (Stephen Richardson Tournament), 6 p.m.
- Softball: OLA at Sacred Heart, 6:30 p.m.
- Tennis: Hancock at Pass Christian, 4 p.m.
- Tennis: SSC/OLA at Bay High, 4 p.m.

SATURDAY

- Baseball: Bay High vs Hattiesburg, 3 p.m.
- Baseball: Hancock vs Poplarville (D/H), 12 p.m./2 p.m.
- Baseball: Pass Christian vs Hattiesburg, 4:30 p.m.
- Baseball: St. Stanislaus vs East Ascension, 10 a.m., vs St. Amant, 12:30 p.m. (Stephen Richardson Tournament)
- Softball: Hancock vs PRC, TBD
- Track and Field: Pass Christian Invitational (Hancock, OLA, Pass Christian, St. Stanislaus), 9 a.m.

MONDAY

- Golf: Hancock at Hickory Hills, 9 a.m. (girls)
- Golf: OLA at Great Southern Club, TBD (girls)
- Softball: Bay High vs East Central, 6:30 p.m.
- Softball: OLA at Gautier, 6:30 p.m.
- Tennis: SSC/OLA vs Biloxi, 4:30 p.m.

TUESDAY

- Baseball: Hancock at Long Beach, 7 p.m.
- Baseball: Pass Christian vs Picayune, 7 p.m.
- Baseball: SSC vs d'Iberville, 7 p.m.
- Golf: Hancock at Sunkist, 3 p.m. (boys)
- Softball: Bay High vs Long Beach, 6:30 p.m.
- Softball: Hancock vs Pass Christian, 6:30 p.m.
- Tennis: Hancock vs West Harrison, 4 p.m.
- Tennis: Pass Christian at Long Beach, 4 p.m.
- Tennis: SSC/OLA at Ocean Springs, 4:30 p.m.
- Track and Field: Bay High at Picayune, 4 p.m.

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The little heroine

Sometimes I like to think I'm good in highly stressful situations, but, true story, I often internally panic.

When my dad had his kidney transplant and I was his weekend caregiver, I was super worried that I would accidentally hurt him in some way or not react fast enough if something happened to his incision or he got sick.

Even though I knew that his transplant team was a phone call and a couple of blocks away at the hospital, I stayed up all night listening for any little sign of distress.

While doing so, I also watched Turner Classic Movies' presentation of film noir movies on Saturday nights. In hindsight, watching those types of movies only seemed to heighten my anxiety.

But he survived under my care and although he is almost a year (I know hard to believe) post-transplant, I still watch his every movement like a hawk when I'm with him. Dad, now you know.

Last week, I met 10-year-old Jami-Anne Moseley and I must say, I was very impressed.

She is an animated girl who knows how to articulate and tell a good story.

She is also someone I would want around in times of emergency.

Her story is in today's edition of the Echo, so I won't rehash it here, but without her quick thinking, her mom might have passed away.

It's something she told me that she was most worried about. I can relate to the fear of losing a parent when they are in medical distress.

I'm sure it was a terrifying experience for her, sitting there with her mom who had passed out, and not knowing why.

But she persevered and made sure her mom got the medical help she needed.

One of the most inspiring things I learned about Jami-Anne is that she doesn't like to take the credit for her part in the ordeal.

She gives all the credit to Waveland police officer Paul Taylor.

While he did play a major role in keeping her calm and making sure her mom got help, Jami-Anne is the one who stayed on the phone with emergency personnel and did her best to relay what she knew about her mom's medical condition.

I am most grateful Officer Taylor was there to respond so quickly to a dire situation.

Jami-Anne's actions that day also gave me some hope for the youth of today.

She is a smart girl who knew exactly what to do in an emergency situation. That also comes from some good parenting, I believe.

She is also a humble girl, unwilling to take any credit for her actions that day.

Humility is a note-worthy and amazing trait to possess. I wish more people did.

Thank you Jami-Anne for sharing your story with me. You are a real hero in my book. I will always remember the story of your bravery that day. I hope you continue to carry these traits into your teenage and adult years, as they will be most valuable and respected.

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Staff Column

By Cassandra Favre

Wicker, Congress Get Back to Business

With Impeachment Over, Senators Resume the Work of the American People

Earlier this month, the impeachment effort against President Donald Trump ended in acquittal. The trial consumed nearly three weeks of the Senate's calendar, bringing almost all other legislative business to a grinding halt. Now that the trial is over, we should waste no time returning to the work of the American people.

REMAKING THE FEDERAL JUDICIARY

President Trump entered office with a record number of vacancies on the federal bench. Since that time, Senate Republicans have made quick progress in restocking the judiciary with judges committed to constitutional government and the rule of law. During the week after the impeachment trial, the Senate confirmed five more judges, bringing this administration's total number to 192 and surpassing President Bill Clinton's eight-year total of 188 judges confirmed.

Each of these judges will serve a lifetime appointment and bring stability to our nation's legal system. Many of our



From the Senate

By Sen. Roger Wicker

courts have long been compromised by activist judges who saw their role as making policy from the bench, rather than applying the law.

Thanks to the Senate's work with President Trump, three circuit courts have now flipped to a majority having been appointed by Republican presidents. One-fourth of all judges who sit on circuit courts are now Trump appointees. This shift creates new opportunities for courts to overturn flawed rulings, including on matters of life, health care, and religious freedom.

I look forward to continuing this work of rebuilding our federal judiciary. Many vacancies remain, including

some for the state of Mississippi. The Senate would do well to prioritize filling these seats.

COMMERCE COMMITTEE KEEPS PRESSING FORWARD

The Commerce Committee, which I chair, is advancing bills of vital importance to our nation. Even with the break in legislative activity due to the impeachment trial, three bills produced by the committee have already passed the Senate this year. These include measures to help remove waste and debris from the world's oceans and to speed the development of new technological processes and devices. In addition, we recently passed an important measure that will help us understand the broadband needs of all Americas—including those in rural communities.

I have also led a number of important Commerce Committee hearings. This month we hosted a panel on how to develop the U.S. workforce for the digital age. We considered the role of artificial intelligence in key industries, groundbreaking prospects for the use of

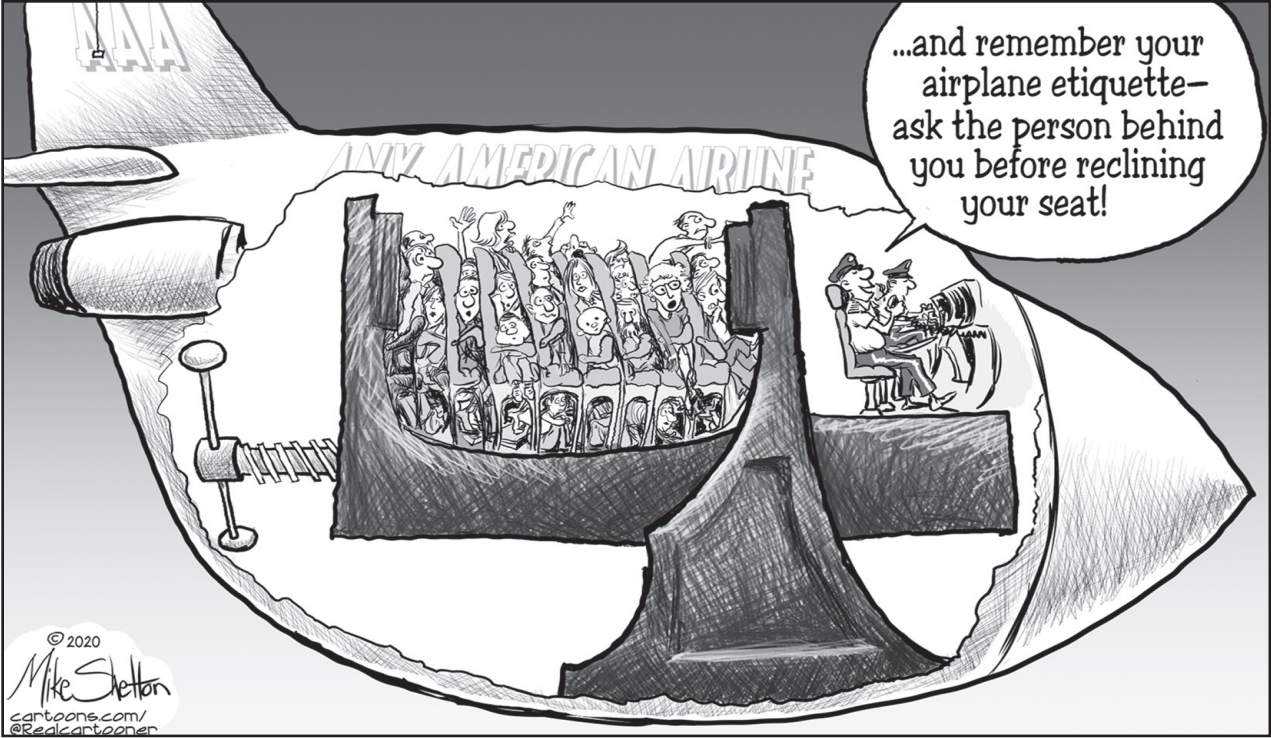
supercomputer technology, and the deployment of 5G wireless networks across our nation.

As the committee that oversees transportation policy, we are holding hearings to assess the nation's transportation needs, including rail, port, and safety upgrades. And we will continue our critical oversight of aviation to ensure the safety of America's skies.

PASSING BUDGETS ON TIME

This month President Trump released his budget request for fiscal year 2021. This kicks off the process for Congress to evaluate the government's priorities and to determine the best use of taxpayer dollars. This power of the purse is among Congress's core responsibilities under the U.S. Constitution.

Unfortunately, in recent years Congress has gotten into the habit of falling behind schedule and passing short-term spending bills to avoid government shutdowns. Republicans and Democrats need to redouble our efforts this year to avoid this wasteful practice.



The color of race

As the father of a multiracial child, I continually question the impetus of "separate but equal". Bay St Louis, MS is a town rich in ethnic diversity and multicultural families. As we celebrate Black History month and what it means to be colored one need only look to the past to obtain clarity on the identity of color in America. The question of "color" exist in an environment where tone of skin can conceivably identify the clan to which one belongs. However, that perception can be clouded through shades of melanin, and be misleading.

The Thirteenth Amendment says; "no state shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any state deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor deny to any person within its jurisdic-

Guest Column

By Rickey O. Coles Jr. MBA

tion the equal protection of the laws." Antagonistically, it didn't portray such sentiments to Homer A. Plessy, a (man which was seven-eighths white and one-eighth black who was a resident of New Orleans, LA. Mr. Plessy a man whose color offers a glimpse at privilege originally granted only to men of Anglo-American descent in the Declaration of Independence. A document whose prescribed intent was to express entitlement to Americanism via race.

On June 7, 1892, Mr. Plessy boarded a train from New Orleans, LA to Covington, LA operated by East Louisiana Railroad which also operated along the Gulf Coast corridor. Whilst a passenger Mr. Plessy informed the conductor that he was actually a colored man. This assertion required the conduc-

tor demand Mr. Plessy surrender his first class seat and move to a coach reserved for non-whites. Mr. Plessy refused and subsequently was arrested. However, Mr. Plessy along with the train operator and Comite des Citoyens (Committee of Citizens) sought to challenge white separatism (Jim Crow) and all worked in collusion to undermine the Louisiana Separate Car Act of 1890. Even though, the train operator's incentive was financial by eliminating cost associated with operating separate train cars. However, the end goal to be achieved was desegregation. Ironically, Mr. Plessy's predat-

ed both Claudette Colvin and Rosa Parks in acting against racial inequality on public transport. He done this despite being perceived as white.

Mr. Plessy's actions led to the precedent setting Supreme Court case, Homer A. Plessy v. John H. Ferguson 163 U.S. 537 (1896), whereas

the term "separate but equal" was coined. My theory is this decision presents a technical violation of the Thirteenth Amendment, as it affirms an assertion by Chief Justice Roger Taney in Dred Scott v. Sandford, 60 U.S. (19 How.) 393 (1857) that "people of African ancestry (whether free or slave), could never become "citizens". It furthered ignored the contextual application of the Civil Rights Act of 1866. Unpredictably, the Plessy decision was likened to having one's citizenship abated, through the denial of Constitutional sovereignty by implying "segregation was not discrimination" ignoring a benefit of citizenship. Fast forward to modernity, and the question we ask ourselves is, has the Plessy decision been effectively overturned? Plausibly, my

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Arrest Record

The following is a list of arrests logged at the Hancock County Justice Facility from the past week. Appearance on the jail log is not indicative of guilt, merely a record that an arrest has been made.

ECHO STAFF REPORT

Kodie L. Bounds, 32, contempt failure to appear
Christopher J. Hembre, 48, contempt failure to appear
Nichole E. Ellis, 32, contempt failure to appear
Glenn P. Luxich, 32, contempt failure to appear, false identifying information, no drivers license, no insurance, seat belt violation, shoplifting, simple assault
Rudolph B. Jackson, 39, contempt failure to appear x 2, felony possession of controlled substance
Miranda R. Cantu, 26, possession of paraphernalia
Dorothy M. Pavolini, 72, trespassing, disorderly conduct
Gary A. McGowan, Jr., 53, false reporting of crime, driving with suspended or revoked license
Solomon P. Johnson, 32, simple assault, parole violation
Lance J. Bell, 50, contempt failure to appear

Steven A. Ladner, 32, shoplifting, burglary x 2, felony possession of controlled substance
Clay L. Necaise, 21, contempt failure to appear
Julie A. Stinebuck, 24, shoplifting
Rene J. Barletter, 57, burglary
Kerry R. Santacruz-Villa, 32, contempt failure to appear, armed robbery, possession of a stolen firearm, possession of weapon by felon
Nicholas Shiyoun, 35, simple assault
David J. Jenkins, 28, seat belt violation, disorderly conduct
David G. Necaise, Jr., 25, controlled substance to sell, probation violation
Bertrand J. Ellis, 33, simple assault, contempt of court failure to appear, hold for other agency
Lodge W. Ladner, 42, speeding
Don K. Wilson, 62, no insurance
Brittney Forbish, 33, grand larceny
Thierry M. Moore, 28, drunkenness/profanity in public place
Tami J. Vega, 60, forgery
David L. Bowman, Jr., 51, DUI: first offense
Beverly M. Page, 60, contempt failure to appear
Gary A. McGowan, Jr., 53, simple assault
Michelle M. Steno, 34, contempt failure to

appear
Damien A. Dedeaux, Jr., 25, DUI: first offense, contempt failure to appear, probation violation
Adam L. Noble, 32, contempt failure to appear
Brooke A. Necaise, 28, DUI: first offense
Wyatt M. Scott, 24, DUI: second conviction
John E. Critchfield, 32, simple assault x 2
James D. Webb, 58, direct contempt of court
Alexandria L. Bridges, 28, contempt failure to appear
Christopher J. Stiger, 27, grand larceny
Kenneth A. Harshbarger, 37, DUI: first offense
Irie P. Phillips, 50, DUI: 2nd conviction, contempt failure to appear
Angela D. Logan, 41, possession of paraphernalia, felony possession of controlled substance
Frank J. Miller, 50, possession of paraphernalia
Chaquella L. James, 29, trespassing
Connor R. Fried, 21, statutory rape
Larry D. Brown, 48, contempt failure to appear
Toby M. Kern, 34, contempt failure to appear
Brittany M. Baradell, 22, probation violation (justice), contempt failure to appear
Michael R. Breaux, 29, probation violation
Timothy J. Smith, 41, hold for other agency, credit card: fraudulent use with internet to obtain money

Damon R. Adolph, 34, rape: forcible sexual intercourse, sexual intercourse or statutory rape without consent/use of substance
Anthony Cuccia, III, 56, drunkenness/profanity in public place, contempt failure to comply
Alan D. Kuhnau, 39, simple assault
Tamara Peters, 39, hold for other agency
Brittany Nelson, 28, controlled substance to sell, barter transfer, manufacture, distribute, dispense or possess with intent to sell, barter transfer, manufacture, distribute, dispense; felony possession of controlled substance x 4
Boyd J. Adams, 47, false pretenses x 9
Nicholas L. Dehaan, 38, aggravated domestic violence, bond revoked
Kedarrell A. Cooper, 36, felony possession of controlled substance, contempt failure to appear
Jonathon A. Lege, 34, felony possession of controlled substance
David J. Hill, 40, contempt failure to appear
Orlando H. Wilson, 33, misdemeanor possession of controlled substance, possession of paraphernalia
Amanda M. Fahy, 30, possession of paraphernalia
James J. Wuorio, Jr., 30, misdemeanor possession of controlled substance
Jonathan W. Bilbo, 47, DUI: first offense
Shawn B. Hill, 31, contempt failure to appear

Thomas J. March, 38, possession of marijuana (1-30 grams) while operating a motor vehicle
Niki R. Roy, 36, contempt failure to appear
Oscar Vega, 45, felony possession of controlled substance, contempt failure to appear

Marshall L. West, 45, DUI: first offense, reckless driving, alcohol open container
Jimmy L. Bullord, 49, hold for other agency
Christopher Lesesne, 39, disorderly conduct, drunkenness/profanity in public place

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BSL man convicted of child exploitation

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Attorney General Lynn Fitch on Thursday announced that the Cyber Crime Division secured the conviction of 23-year-old Colby Johnson of Bay St. Louis.
According to a release from Fitch’s office, Johnson entered an “open plea, which is pleading guilty without an agreement regarding punishment,” on Feb. 10 to one count of child exploitation.
Johnson’s sentencing



is scheduled for June 15 and he faces up to 40 years in prison, the release states.
“One of my priorities as Attorney General is to protect the most vulnerable citizens in our states,” Fitch said in the release. “And our chil-

dren are at the top of that list. I am grateful to the men and women in law enforcement and the prosecutors who work to protect our precious children from predators who seek to exploit them.”
According to the release, the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force arrested Johnson on Oct. 22, 2019 as part of “Operation Trick or Treat.”
After an investigation, it was learned that Johnson utilized a “social media account to send child sexual abuse imag-

es over the Internet,” the release states.
“After his arrest, Johnson confirmed that he owned the device to transmit the images,” the release states. “He also admitted to possessing and transmitting child pornography.”
According to the release, Johnson was one of eight people arrested during the operation and Johnson is the second person convicted of child exploitation since Fitch took office.

CSX railroad tie replacement to affect traffic in Hancock, Harrison counties

SEA COAST ECHO
CSX will begin a railroad tie replacement project next week that will impact approximately 50 miles of tracks between Pass Christian and New Orleans, including several crossings in Hancock and Harrison counties.
“The project is scheduled to start on Monday, Feb. 24, and will take approx. three weeks to complete,” according to Ray Porter, project coordinator for Benchmark Consulting, a CSX Transportation representative. “There will be two tie teams that will be working on this project. One team will start in Pass Christian, Ms. in Harrison County just before St. Paul Ave. The other team will start

in Bay St. Louis, Ms. in Hancock County, just before Nicholson Ave. Each crossing will be closed for approx. two to three days.
“There are sections of double tracks where both sets of tracks will be worked, and any crossings on those double sets of tracks will have to stay closed longer or will be closed twice. There are a few crossings that will be worked behind the production teams or later after the project.”
The crossings that will be affected in Hancock County include:
• Beach Front Blvd. (Work later)
• S. Second St. (Work later)
• S. Toulme St.
• Bookter St.
• Sycamore St. (Work later)

• Washington St. (Work later)
• Citizen St.
• Ballentine St.
• St. Charles St.
• Webb Ave.
• Nicholson Ave.
• Coleman Ave.
• Waveland Ave.
• Clermont Harbor Rd.
• Lakeshore Rd.
• Ansley Rd. (Work later)

The crossings that will be affected in Harrison County include:
• St. Paul Ave.
• Market Ave.
• Clark Ave. (Work later)
• Hiern Ave.
• Church Ave.
• Henderson Ave. (Work later)
• Clarence Ave.
• Magnolia Ave.
• Cedar Ave.
• Third Ave.

Hancock County Tax Assessor / Collector

Homestead Exemption Applications Accepted

Homestead exemption applications will be accepted from **January 2, 2020 through April 1, 2020**, office located at 854 Highway 90 Suite C., Applications must be filed in the Bay St. Louis office of Hancock County Tax Assessor between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.
You must be living in your home on or before **January 1, 2020** to qualify for homestead exemption. The property must be your primary residence in order to qualify.

The following information is needed to file your application.
A) Warranty deed
B) Cost of property
C) Down payment amount
D) License plate numbers for vehicles registered in Hancock County.
(All vehicles owned must be registered in Hancock County.)
E) If you are age 65 or older, proof of age is required
F) If you are receiving 100% disability benefits, proof of your disability is required
G) Is any part of the property rented

You must re-file your homestead exemption application if
A) You became over 65 on or before January 1, 2020
B) You became 100% disabled service Connected veteran on or before January 1, 2020
C) You acquired a new residence
D) You acquired additional property that adjoins your homestead
E) Your marital status changed (divorced, widowed, separated, etc.)

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Obituaries

COLLEEN “KIKI” CULLEN
MARTHA LEIGH O’BRYAN
FAY BREVELLE PACE
BARBARA ANN KIDD RIGBY
JOSEPH SPECKER III
JESSICA “SLIM” THOMPSON

COLLEEN “KIKI” CULLEN

On February 17, 2020, the world lost a true character when Colleen “Kiki” Cullen “sailed away.” Kiki was born on November 4, 1951, in New Orleans and spent all of her formative years there. Her bold spirit, however, would take her far and wide, bringing her love of Louisiana culture wherever she traveled.

She attended St. Francis Cabrini Elementary School in New Orleans from kindergarten through 6th grade during which she forged close relationships many that were maintained until her death. She attended Ursuline Academy from 7th grade through high school graduation. During her high school years she was cheerleader for both Ursuline Academy and St. Aloysius High School.

She became a lifelong, diehard LSU Tigers fan during her years at Louisiana State University (LSU) and obtained a BS degree in Architecture in 1974. While there, she was a member of Delta Zeta sorority. In the midst of her college days, during the summer of 1971, Kiki studied in Hawaii, flying home to New Orleans wearing a long Hawaiian dress and carrying her surfboard!

Following graduation, Kiki moved to Houston, TX, together with several of her sorority sisters, most of whom remained her friends for life. She arrived in Huston just in time to participate in the city’s late 1970’s peak of skyscraper development. She was part of the team that worked to translate the vision of acclaimed designer, Philip Johnson, in building the 64-story Transco Tower (Williams Tower today), as well as his Post Oak Central, comprised of 3 office buildings on 17 acres. Similarly, her



team provided the detailed architectural plans for the legendary I.M. Pei’s Warwick Post Oak (now Hilton Houston Post Oak). All are today iconic structures in Uptown Houston.

She was compelled, however, to experience other parts of the USA, and after a few years in Houston, her architecture/construction management career brought her to Park City, Utah. There she became an avid snow skier (both downhill and cross country), white water rafter, and camper. Following her years in Utah, she returned to Houston, trading in her skis for a tennis racket and running shoes, even running in a 10K race in which former President George H. W. Bush also ran.

While she loved Houston and being with her college friends, the “call of the sea” beckoned, and she moved to the Annapolis/Washington D.C. area. She bought her beloved sailboat “Innisfree” and sailed all the areas of Chesapeake Bay. Even more adventurous, was her participation as first mate in a four-person crew sailing on a 45-foot sailboat from Annapolis to Portugal in 1992. This was part of the celebration of the 500th anniversary of Christopher Columbus’ sail from Portugal to the Americas. To prepare for that lengthy sail, she learned new sailing skills, including celestial navigation.

While continuing her architecture/construction management career in Maryland, she contributed significantly to

the construction of Camden Yards, the stadium built in Baltimore for the city’s beloved Orioles. During her years there, among other construction duties, she also served as Assistant Secretary of Construction for the Maryland Department of General Services and as Senior Project Manager on the construction of the new University of Maryland School of Dentistry.

In spite of living and working in the mid-Atlantic area, Kiki never lost her love of the South, and purchased, what she had hoped would be her forever home on Beach Boulevard in Bay St. Louis. Unfortunately, Mother Nature had other plans and that home was totally destroyed by Hurricane Katrina. Despite that loss, her desire to be back in the South continued, and she was one of a very few people moving to Mississippi soon after Katrina. Kiki chose to live permanently in Bay St. Louis. She became an active member of the Bay-Waveland Yacht Club (where she was named Woman of the Year in 2014) as well as the Mystic Krewe of the Seahorse.

As is obvious from her name, Colleen Cullen was a proud Irish American. She reveled in her Irish roots, to the extent that she became a caring and dedicated owner of four Irish setters — Patrick (who traveled with her from Houston to Utah back to Houston and then to Maryland), and three rescued Irish Setters — Malarkey, Mickey, and Murphy.

Kiki was predeceased by her father, William Patrick “Bill” Cullen, and her mother, Nell Jackson Cullen. She is survived by her only sibling, Julie Cullen, and many, many friends, all of whom will cherish their memories of her.

MARTHA LEIGH O’BRYAN

Martha Leigh O’Bryan, 49 of Diamondhead, MS passed away Saturday, February 22, 2020 in Slidell, LA. Martha graduated from Arch Bishop Blank High School in Gretna, LA and she attended Northwestern and UNO in LA. She was preceded in death by her father, Rex O’Bryan. She is survived by her mother, Edna Hansbrough O’Bryan; sister, Elizabeth “Beth” Masson (Glen); two nieces, Rebecca and Rachel Masson; aunt, Kathy Rowell and cousin, Phil O’Bryan. Visitation will be held Wednesday, February 26, 2020 at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home from 10:30 a.m. until 12:00 noon with a Memorial Service at 12:00 noon. Edmond Fahey Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

FAY BREVELLE PACE

Fay Brevelle Pace, 76, of Bay St. Louis, MS passed away Monday, February 24, 2020 in Bay St. Louis.

Mrs. Pace had been a resident of Bay St. Louis for 22 years. She was a member of the Bay St. Louis VFW Auxiliary Post 3253. She enjoyed working in her flower garden, crafting, and spending time with her girlfriends. Ms. Fay will be sadly missed by her family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Allen Brevelle Sr. & Doris Hatfield; brother, Henry Brevelle; two step-sons, Brent & Scott Pace.

Survived by her husband, Donald Pace of Bay St. Louis, MS; son, Scott Laurent (Lillie) of Pearl River, LA; two step-sons, Kevin Pace also of Pearl River, LA; Keith Pace (Heidi) of Slidell, LA; brother, Allen Brevelle (Lil) of Lafayette, LA; eleven grandchildren, Amelia Laurent, Joshua &

Matthew Kelly, Chance Laurent, Dante, Cade, Lillian, Brent, Brolan, Donavin, and Jana Dey Pace; and one great-granddaughter, Emma Kelly.



Memorial Service will be at noon Friday, February 28, 2020 at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, MS The family will receive guests from 10:00 am until noon.

In lieu of flowers the family request donations be made to the Bay St. Louis VFW Auxiliary Post 3253 at 208 Third St. Bay St. Louis, MS 39520.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

BARBARA ANN KIDD RIGBY

Barbara Ann Kidd Rigby, 79, of Diamondhead, MS passed away Saturday, February 22, 2020 in Diamondhead, MS. She was a member of Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church.

She was a wonderful and loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister and aunt who will be sadly missed by her family and friends. She was preceded in death by her son, George Scott Rigby; parents, Raymond Earl Kidd, Sr. and Anne Lorraine Quintini Kidd and brother Raymond Earl Kidd Jr. She is survived by her wonderful and loving husband Gerald William Rigby, Sr. of Diamondhead, MS; three sons, Gerald William Rigby, Jr. (Janet) of Bay St. Louis, MS, Wesley Scott Rigby of Diamondhead, MS and Quinn Alexander Rigby of Gulfport, MS; daughter, Lorry Blair Maurigi (Kevin) of Bay St. Louis, MS; four brothers, Thomas Kidd, Sr. (Linda) of Diamondhead, MS, Steve Kidd (Lynn) of Atlanta, GA, David Kidd (Pam) of Bay St. Louis, MS and Richard Kidd (Jannie) of Bay St. Louis, MS; three sisters, Susan Hendon of Long Beach,

MS, Lorraine Werner (Felix) of Picayune, MS and Sharon Seals (Hubert) of Picayune, MS; nine grandchildren,



Jordyn, Ashley, Kevin, Kayla, Shelby, Blake, Erika, Jerrod and Fiona; eight great-grandchildren, Riley, Lila, Trace, Harper, Kadence, Raelyn, Cason and Remi and numerous nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers the family prefer donations to Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church: 228 S Beach Blvd. Bay St. Louis, MS 39520. Visitation will be held Thursday, February 27, 2020 at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in Bay St. Louis, MS from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon with a Memorial Mass at 12:00 noon. Burial to follow at Gardens of Memory Cemetery in Bay St. Louis, MS. Edmond Fahey Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

JOSEPH SPECKER III

Joseph Specker III, 72 years old, passed away on February 15, 2020 in Clinton, MS. The visitation and funeral services were held on the 22nd, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints on 14928 Big Ridge Rd, Biloxi MS.



Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints for 39 years. In his younger years he was an avid hunter and fisher. He was also very handy and often built, repaired and even created things to meet the family’s needs.

Joe was born in Trenton, New Jersey to Joseph Specker Junior and Grace Ellen Cooper Specker on March 25, 1947. He married Helen Louise Staudinger 45 years ago on April 27, 1974 in Fort Lauderdale, FL. He served in the Army for 3 years during the Vietnam era. He worked as an outside sales rep for Marine Parts and Accessories for over 30 years. He was a member of the

Joe is survived by his wife Helen, and his daughter Heidi Lorraine Baldree and spouse James Baldree, his grandchildren Grace, Jacob, James, Faith, and Hope Baldree, and his son Joseph Specker IV and spouse Amy Lynn Specker, and grandchildren Jayson, Kelsey, and Kaitlynn Specker,

and his sisters Carol Overbaugh and Beverly Arndt. He was preceded in death by his parents and brother Daniel Specker.

Pallbearers will be Joseph Specker IV, James Baldree III, Jacob Baldree, Jayson Specker, Ryan Hargrove, Josh Mac, Bryan Emmertson, and honorary pallbearer Chris Staudinger.

The family of Joseph Specker III wishes to extend our sincere thanks to all the pallbearers, Barry Griggs for giving the eulogy, Leanne Spiers for playing the piano, Donna Emmertson as chorister, Bishop Lyman for making the church building available and arranging for programs to be made, and to Sherry Hard for opening up her home to our family.

JESSICA “SLIM” THOMPSON

Funeral service will be held Sat. Feb. 29, 2020 at 11am., in Little Zion Baptist Church for Jessica “Slim” Thompson age 30 of Waveland, MS., who died Feb. 18, 2020 at her home.

A native of Waveland, MS., she was a member of Little Zion Baptist Church, she attended Bay High School.

Survivors; daughter, Jh’nelle (her father Tierrus Parker) Thompson, mother Debra Thompson, of Waveland, MS., father and mother Richard Thompson and Cynthia Williams of Waveland, MS., four sisters Natalie Thompson, Tequila Williams, Erica Williams, Britney Williams, 2 brothers Reginald Williams and Brandon

Williams, grandmothers; Rose Thomas and Jennifer (Robert) Malone. Companion; Tommie Lee Callahan.



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Something Is Fishy in Mississippi

BY LINDA BIGLER
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Now that the last float has passed, the beads and other trinkets are but a memory until next carnival season, the forty days of Lent are upon us. For many, that translates to meatless Fridays. I have always found it humorous that eating seafood on Fridays during Lent is supposed to be a sacrifice. I love seafood on any day of the week and at any meal, therefore, it has never been a sacrifice for me.

Shortly before Christmas, my granddaughter, Martina, informed me that she was presently a pescatarian. At first, I thought she was telling me that she had changed her religion, but she was informing me that seafood would now be her main protein of choice. Great, what was I supposed to do with a ten-pound standing rib roast? Fortunately, the rest of my family had no trouble solving that dilemma. After

a quick trip to my neighborhood supermarket, I was able to satisfy my newly converted youngest grandchild. So, in honor of Martina and the next six meatless Fridays, allow me to present a few recipes that would satisfy almost any pescatarian.

If you have not given up alcohol for Lent, this first recipe is a delectable dish to prepare.

JUMBO SHRIMP AMARETTO
2 pounds peeled and deveined jumbo shrimp (16 to 20 to the pound)
4 tablespoons flour
One teaspoon salt
6 tablespoons butter
4 ounces brandy
4 ounces amaretto
4 ounces dry white wine
Juice of two oranges
6 tablespoons heavy cream
1 tablespoon orange zest (zest the oranges before cutting)
Combine the flour, salt and pepper. Lightly dredge the shrimp in the flour mixture. In a large skillet, melt the butter over medium heat. Add the

shrimp and sauté about three minutes on each side. Transfer the shrimp to a heated dish. Increase the heat and add the alcohol and juice. Stir well. Lower the heat to medium and slowly stir in the cream, add the zest and stir until well combined. Return the shrimp to the pan and heat through. Serve at once.
Serves 4 to 6

BAKED SALMON FILLETS
4 salmon fillets (6 ounces each)
2 tablespoons melted butter
2 teaspoons soy sauce
2 teaspoons fresh lemon juice
2 green onions, thinly sliced (both green and white parts)
1 tablespoon finely chopped fresh flat leaf parsley
1 clove garlic, finely chopped
1 teaspoon red pepper flakes
Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Line a rimmed cookie sheet with foil and lightly spray with non-stick spray. Place the salmon, skin side down, if the skin is still at-

tached, on the prepared baking sheet. Cut 5 or 6 slashes in each fillet. Combine the remaining ingredients and generously brush the mixture onto the fillets. Bake for about 20 minutes or until the fish tests done.
Serves 4

This final dish can be cooked and ready to serve in less than 20 minutes. It uses canned tomato sauce, but you can use your own homemade, if you have some stashed in the freezer.

FISH IN A FLASH
2 pounds flounder, cod, or other firm, mild white fish fillets
1 – 15 ounce canned tomato sauce
Juice of one lemon
1 clove garlic, crushed
2 tablespoons finely chopped fresh flat leaf parsley
1 teaspoon Italian seasoning
1 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes
4 tablespoons olive oil
4 tablespoons butter

Combine tomato sauce, lemon juice, garlic, parsley, Italian seasoning, and red pepper flakes in a bowl and set aside. In a large skillet set over medium high heat, place the olive oil and butter. When butter melts and begins to bubble, add the fish fillets and cook for about 3 minutes on each side. Carefully remove the fish and set aside. Add the tomato sauce mixture, bring to a boil; stirring constantly. Reduce to a simmer and cook for about 10 minutes. Return the fish to the skillet, spoon the sauce over the fish, and cook for about 2 to 3 minutes or until the fish is heated through. Serve at once.
Serves 4 to 6

Have a wonderful week and take some time to recuperate from Mardi Gras madness. Before you know it, you will be assisting the Easter Bunny in hiding eggs.

Linda is a contributing writer for the Sea Coast Echo and can be reached at lbigler67@gmail.com.

The Community CALENDAR

FEBRUARY 28
• St. Rose de Lima’s famous annual Fish Fry is back for Lent 2020 beginning on Feb. 28, every Friday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Holy Spirit Center, located at 301 S. Ne-caise Ave. in Bay St. Louis. There will be no fish fry on Good Friday. Featuring Mississippi farm-raised catfish, potato salad, green beans, bread, and cake. \$10 donation per plate. Come join us. Dine in or carry out. Delivery available. To place your order call the Parish Center at 228-467-9700.

CARSHOW

FEBRUARY 29
• Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxilliary 3253 will host its Car Show at 208 Third St. in Bay St. Louis. 8th annual open car show/fundraiser benefits our veterans programs. Registration is from 8 a.m. to noon the day of the show. Registration fee is \$25. Dash plaques for first 50 vehicles registered. Awards: Top 20 cars, top five trucks, best of show, and six special awards. Participants voting. Awards at 1:30 p.m. Food, prizes, 50/50 raffle, and live auction. For more information, contact Cindy at 228-469-0579 or Bobby at 228-493-2033.
• The Waveland Helping Hands Community Organization is hosting a Black History Program from 10 to 11 a.m. at the MLK Park Community Center on Herlihy Street in Waveland.

Do you SPEAK Spanish?

MARCH 2
• Do you speak basic Spanish but would like to practice speaking Spanish? A 6 week Conversational Spanish Series will be held on Mon-

days at 6 p.m. beginning on Monday, March 2 at the Pass Christian Library (111 Hiern Avenue). A basic knowledge of Spanish is preferred. The class will be taught by Gloria A. Reimherr, a Cuban-American who migrated from Cuba in 1961. She is experienced in interpreting, translating and tutoring. Gloria has an interesting story to tell, about migrating to the USA. She plans on sharing parts of her story with the class in Spanish! This series of classes will run through April 6. Please bring your own writing utensil. The class is free (but donations are accepted for instructional costs). Everyone is welcome to join us. Class size is limited, so please call the Pass Christian Library at 228-452-4596 or email passchristianlibrary@gmail.com to sign up for the class.

MARCH 3
• WW — formerly known as Weight Watchers — will meet Tuesdays at the Hancock County Resource Center, located at 454 Hwy. 90, Waveland, led by Wellness Coach Anne Hale and team. Weigh-in (wellness check-in) at 5 p.m. and the Workshop begins at 5:30 p.m. Invite a friend.

AARP®

• AARP will be at the Waveland and Kiln libraries through April. Receive one-on one help filing your taxes this tax season. This is a first-come first-serve event and you will need to bring your tax information, social security card for dependents, and Driver’s License. Help will be available at the Waveland Library every Tuesday and Saturday from 9 a.m. –1 p.m. and will run until April 14. This will exclude February 25 and March 14. For more information on these dates please contact the Waveland Library at (228)467-9240.

Help will be available at the Kiln Library every Thursday from 9 a.m. –1 p.m. and will run until April 6. For more information on these dates please contact the Kiln Library at (228) 255-1724.

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MARCH 19
• St. Clare Catholic Church, 236 S. Beach Blvd. in Waveland, will host its annual St. Joseph’s Day Altar on March 19 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Blessing at 5 p.m.

PARADE OF HOMES

APRIL 18
• The 2nd Annual Hancock County Parade of Homes is set for Saturday, April 18 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The parade, which is free and open to the public, will feature homes for sale throughout Hancock County. The Parade of Homes is currently seeking sponsors. Information on sponsorship packages is now available online at <http://hancockmsmyhome.com>. Questions may be directed to the Hancock Chamber of Commerce at 228-467-9048. Attendees may register on-site at one of the homes. All registered attendees will be entered in the drawing for the grand prize giveaway, and will get an extra entry for every home they tour. Listings for homes on the tour will be available for

individual tickets are \$15. Please contact the tea coordinator at 228-342-1113, or grandmasue304@gmail.com.

DAY OF HOPE

APRIL 4
• Relay for Life for Hancock County invites you to our Relay Day of Hope to be held Saturday April 4, 2020 at the Hollywood Walking track by the RV park from 4-8 p.m. There will be food, music and many activities such as Gentle Yoga, line dancing, Tai Chi, Self-defense techniques and a culinary demonstration. At dusk there will be the traditional luminaria ceremony. The main focus of our event is to honor all survivors and caregivers and we would like to ask any survivor to let us know they are coming! You can sign up to be a team with family, friends and/or co-workers! Go to <http://www.relayforlife.org/hancockms>. For more information, please contact Relay co-chairs: Bernie Cullen at tcbb-cullen@yahoo.com or Nonnie Richardson at njr1_at_msn.com.

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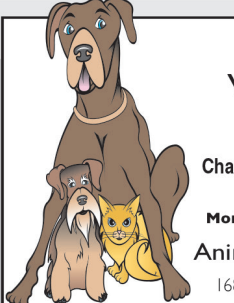
viewing online toward the end of March and print maps will be available in April.

50th

APRIL 25, 2020
• Bay Senior High School Class of 1970 has scheduled its 50th class reunion. All classmates and friends of the class are invited to call Cheryl at 228-206-0432 for more information.

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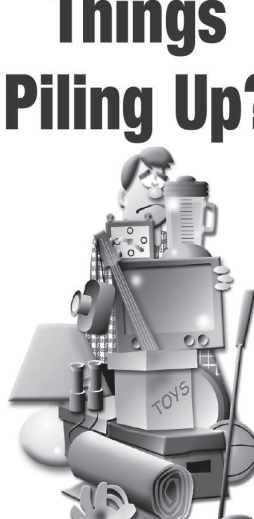
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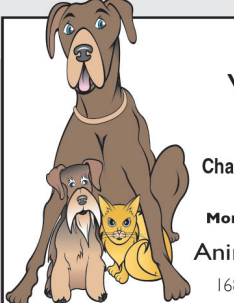
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Meet Amelia. She is gorgeous! There is more to this lady than her stunning beauty, however. She has a vivacious personality to match her lovely curves. This 2 year old American Staffordshire Terrier is a very active girl. She's definitely no couch potato, so her new family or BFF should be committed to daily walks, playtime, and exercise. A home with a fenced backyard would be ideal for Amelia. She is also a cuddle bug, and will be happy snuggling on the sofa with her peeps at the end of the day. Because she is strong and playful, Amelia may pose a fall risk to very small children, but she is perfect for a family with middle school aged children or older. They will have lots of fun together! Amelia is great with dogs her own size, but definitely not with small dogs or cats. We believe Amelia is house trained because our kennel techs have observed that she keeps her living area spotlessly clean, and she relieves herself immediately upon being taken outside. Come meet this caramel cutie...she is yummy! You can visit Amelia at the Hancock County Animal Shelter, 7175 Texas Flat Rd, Kiln. Call 228 466 4516 for more information, and visit our Facebook page, Hancock County Animal Shelter, MS, to see more pictures of Amelia and of the many other wonderful, adoptable critters waiting for their forever homes.

Devotional Page

HAVING THE COURAGE TO DO WHAT IT IS RIGHT BY GARY ANDREWS

In today's age many of us are met with situations that could or could not be the right thing to do. We have to make a quick decision and whatever decision we make could affect the livelihood for others. Some of the time looking at the world's desires leads us into an uncomfortable place knowing that what we do is wrong yet we don't want to displease any of our peers, depending on where we are at this certain time.

Knowing the truth and telling the truth is something you don't have to remember. Standing on God's promises and listening to His voice is something we don't have to remember because we have the courage to take a stand and it is the correct one. God will never lead us astray even though the world is telling us something different.

Each and every day of our lives we have opportunities to display our love for the Lord through our actions and words. What we say can affect us in a positive or a negative way. One of the verses in the Bible that we need to memorize and say to ourselves daily is: Psalm 27:1, "The LORD is my light and my salvation; Whom shall I fear? The LORD is the strength of my life; Of whom shall I be afraid?"

As we walk our daily path this verse should be first and foremost on our minds. Even the most perilous and ardent tasks that we face will be more simple and easier for us to accomplish.

Society in today's world can be very cruel. We see some of our family, friends, co-workers, or others being mistreated because they do not have the stamina to stand up for themselves or they do not know the Lord personally and have their faith and trust in Him. How many times have you seen someone be the brunt end of a joke or idle talk when you know this is not true? Have you ever taken a stand and spoken in favor of this person when you are in the minority however you knew that what was being said was incorrect or wrong?

Our movies and television shows of today and the past generation have given us false images of what is good and how we can mistreat others. Now, don't get me wrong, there have been some terrific shows and movies as well; however our earthly desires and nature want to see violence and then put into our minds that this is real and we can act this way in the real world. During my career in the newspaper industry I have witnessed and seen firsthand that people don't want to read

the good news. They want to hear and read about what is happening to people around them and want to know the troubles others are having. This is what we are teaching our future generations. Again, please don't misinterpret what I am saying. We do need to know the news of today and what is going on around us but we also need to know the good news and try to be a part of it. Bad news can always have a positive spin to it but we should never weaken the severity of it.

The next time you see or hear about your family member or neighbor being belittled, whether they are in the right or wrong, stand up for them because they are human and one of God's children. When someone is down and out it is a good time for witnessing to them because they are trying to find their way back to the truth and the light. Will you have the courage to take a stand and be a part of the solution instead of contributing to the problem?

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WHEREAS, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, which default has continued for a period of time necessary for the holder to declare the entire unpaid balance immediately due and payable, and TRUSTMARK NATIONAL BANK, the holder of the Deed of Trust as aforesaid, having requested the undersigned Substitute Trustee so to do, I will on the 18th day of March, 2020, offer for sale at public outcry and sell during the legal hours, between the hours of 11:00 o'clock a.m. and 4:00 o'clock p.m., at the front door of the Hancock County Courthouse located on Main Street in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash or certified funds ONLY, to the highest and best bidder, the following described land and property lying and being situated in the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, and more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Land and property lying and being situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit: Lot 16, Block 20-A, Shoreline Park Subdivision, Unit 2, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per map or plat of said subdivision recorded in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee.

WITNESS my signature this 10th day of February, 2020.

GERALD M. WARREN, Substitute Trustee
Gerald M. Warren
Attorney at Law
P. O. Box 1506
Gulfport, MS 39502
(228) 897-9975
MS Bar No. 06963
PUBLISH: 02/26/20, 03/04/20, 03/11/20

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

WHEREAS, on August 14, 2012, Kyung Chung Kim executed a deed of trust for the benefit of JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., which deed of trust was recorded on September 14, 2012, in Book 2012, Page 18660 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the holder of the deed of trust at the time of the substitution substituted McCalla Raymer Liebert Pierce, LLC as Trustee, as authorized by the terms thereof, by instrument recorded on January 16, 2020, and spread at large upon the records in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 2020, Page 909, prior to the posting and publication of this notice; and WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of the deed of trust, and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of the deed of trust, and the legal holder of said indebtedness, JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, has requested the undersigned Substitute Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land, property and improvements in accordance with the terms of the deed of trust for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, Substitute Trustee's fees and expenses of sale;

THEREFORE, on March 18, 2020, the undersigned Substitute Trustee in the deed of trust, will offer for sale at public outcry and sell to the highest bidder for cash, within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.) at the front door of the Hancock County Courthouse in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, the following described land, property and improvements lying and being situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit:

THE LAND REFERRED TO HEREIN BELOW IS SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF HANCOCK STATE OF MISSISSIPPI AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

ALL THAT PARCEL OF LAND IN HANCOCK COUNTY, STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, AS DESCRIBED IN DEED INST # 2007 33970, ID# 163F-0-06-195.000, BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS: LOTS 21 AND 22, BLOCK 161, BAYSIDE PARK SUBDIVISION, UNIT 2, HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AS PER THE OFFICIAL PLAT OF SAID SUBDIVISION RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CHANCERY CLERK OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI.

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BY FEE SIMPLE DEED FROM OSCEOLA GULF HOMES, LLC AS SET FORTH IN DEED INST # 2007 33970, DATED 12/19/2007 AND RECORDED 12/29/2007, HANCOCK COUNTY RECORDS, STATE OF MISSISSIPPI.

I WILL CONVEY only such title as is vested in the Substitute Trustee.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 11th day of February, 2020

/s-/ Nicholas Rolader
McCalla Raymer Liebert Pierce, LLC
Substitute Trustee

1052 Highland County Parkway, Suite 211
Ridgeland, MS 39157
(770)643-2148

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File No.: 5759491
PUBLISH: 02/26/20,03/04/20,03/11/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: MORTON EUGENE GILLEY, JR., DECEASED

CAUSE NO. 23CHI-19-cv-734-JP
LEIGH ANN GILLEY, ADMINISTRATRIX
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration were granted to the undersigned as Administrator of the Estate of Morton Eugene Gilley, Jr., deceased, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, on or about the 20th day of December 2019, in the above styled and numbered cause, in said Court, and notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to have the same probated and registered by the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi within ninety (90) days from the date of first publication hereof, and that failure to probate and register any such claim within said ninety (90) day period will forever bar the same.

THIS, the 27th day of January, 2020.
/s/ Leigh Ann Gilley
LEIGH ANN GILLEY, Administratrix
Preston J. Mauffray (MSB #101131)
Attorney at Law, PLLC
P.O. Box 4272
Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39521
Telephone: (228) 216-6124
Facsimile: (866) 216-6124
PUBLISH ON: 2/19/20; 2/26/20; and 3/04/20.

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK

TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, Darlene Boyd executed and delivered a Variable Rate Promissory Note ("Note") in favor of Robin W. Poirier (a/k/a "Robin Poirier") and 1011 Land Development, Inc. (a/k/a "1011 Land Development") in the principle amount of Sixty Thousand Dollars and 00/100 (\$60,000) on the 13th day of October 2017; and

WHEREAS, in order to secure said Note, Darlene Boyd executed and delivered a Deed of Trust to Kelly Michael Rayburn as Trustee for Robin W. Poirier and 1011 Land Development, Inc., said Deed of Trust being dated October 13, 2017, and recorded on December 29, 2017 in Deed of Trust Book 2017 at Pages 27677-27689 in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, Robin W. Poirier and 1011 Land Development, Inc. are currently the holders of said Promissory Note and Deed of Trust; and
WHEREAS, said Mortgagor has defaulted in the terms of said Deed of Trust by failing to make the payments therein as specified and failing to pay the interest thereon, and under the terms of said Deed of Trust, said indebtedness is declared due and payable; and
WHEREAS, Robin W. Poirier and 1011 Land Development, Inc. have demanded that the same be foreclosed in the manner provided therein so as to satisfy the indebtedness thereby secured, and
WHEREAS, said Deed of Trust provides that the Holders thereof may foreclose the Deed of Trust in accordance with applicable state law.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Kelly Michael Rayburn, Trustee, as aforesaid, will on the 11th day of March 2020, offer for sale and sell during the legal hours (between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.) at the front

door of the Courthouse of Hancock County, Mississippi, located at 152 Main Street, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, at public outcry, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property, together with the appurtenances and improvements thereunto belonging, or in any wise appertaining, lying and being situated in Hancock County, State of Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

Lots 38 and 39, Wood Haven. A subdivision of Hancock County, Mississippi, as per the official map or plat thereof on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

Title to said property is believed to be good, but I convey only such title as is vested in me as Trustee.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, on this 12th day of February 2020.

/S/ Kelly Michael Rayburn
Kelly Michael Rayburn, Trustee

Prepared by:
Kelly Michael Rayburn
P.O. Box 2566
Gulfport, MS 39505

(228) 539-2400 (ofc)
(228) 539-3130 (fax)
MSB# 8604

02/19/20, 02/26/20, 03/04/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
AMERICAN PRIDE PROPERTIES, LLC
PLAINTIFF
VERSUS

CAUSE NO. C23CHI-20-cv-65 CB
WILLIAM R. LAMB, II; ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS

OF WILLIAM R. LAMB, II; DUYEM PHAM A/K/A
DUYEM P. LAMB; ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF

DUYEM PHAM A/K/A DUYEM P. LAMB; DIAMONDHEAD

COUNTRY CLUB AND PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.;

HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; JOEL SMITH, IN HIS CAPACITY

AS DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; STATE OF MISSISSIPPI; UNITED STATES

SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION; AND ALL OTHER PERSONS, FIRMS AND CORPORATIONS

HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE INTEREST IN THE WITHIN DESCRIBED

LAND LOCATED IN HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI,

WHICH WAS SOLD FOR HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI AD VALOREM TAXES ON

AUGUST 31, 2017
VIZ: PH 1 UN 1 BLK 3 LOT 41 DIAMONDHEAD

SEC 35 TWP 08 RANGE 14W PARCEL #: 067P-0-35-144.000

DISTRICT:2453 CITY:4 SCHOOL:2 PPIN#: 000025315 DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: WILLIAM R. LAMB, II; ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS

OF WILLIAM R. LAMB, II; DUYEM PHAM A/K/A
DUYEM P. LAMB; ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF

DUYEM PHAM A/K/A DUYEM P. LAMB; DIAMONDHEAD

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NOTICE
This is a suit by AMERICAN PRIDE PROPERTIES, LLC, to quiet and confirm title in themselves to that certain property legally described as:

DESCRIPTION OF LAND: PH 1 UN 1 BLK 3 LOT 41 DIAMONDHEAD

SEC 35 TWP 08 RANGE 14W PARCEL #: 067P-0-35-144.000

DISTRICT:2453 CITY:4 SCHOOL:2 PPIN#: 000025315

Plaintiff, AMERICAN PRIDE PROPERTIES, LLC obtained its interest in the subject property by virtue of a Quitclaim Deed and Assignment granted by MS TL LLC, dated November 20, 2019 and recorded on November 25, 2019 in Book 2019 at Page 14256 in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. A copy of said Quitclaim Deed and Assignment is attached hereto as Exhibit "2".

MS TL, LLC being the highest and best bidder at the tax sale dated August 31, 2017 for the 2016 Hancock County, Mississippi ad valorem taxes which were not redeemed, was granted a Chancery Clerk's Conveyance for said property on October 7, 2019, which was recorded on October 7, 2019 in Book 2019 at Page 12395 in the Office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk. A copy of said Chancery Clerk's Conveyance is attached hereto as Exhibit "3".
If you have a legal or equitable claim or interest in this property, you are required to mail or hand-deliver a copy of your response to the Complaint to Quiet and Confirm Title and For Other Relief to the attorney for Plaintiffs, Negrotto & Associates, PLLC, c/o Lewie G. "Skip" Negrotto, IV, the attorney for Plaintiffs, whose post office address is 133 Davis Avenue, Ste. L, Pass Christian, MS 39571. YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED WITHIN THIRTY DAYS FROM THE 19th day of February 2020, WHICH IS THE DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.

You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward. The address of the Clerk of this Court is 152 Main Street, Suite A, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
Timothy A. Kellar, Chancery Clerk
Hancock County, Mississippi
DATED: 2/13/2020
By: Cassie Tribble
DEPUTY CLERK
02/19/20, 02/26/20, 03/04/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN RE: ESTATE OF
GAY RHODES LUSICH

CAUSE NO. 23CHI-20-cv-00051-MA

EXECUTRIX NOTICE TO CREDITORS

OF GAY RHODES LUSICH

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 13th day of February, 2020, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the estate of GAY RHODES LUSICH, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for Probate and registered according to law within 90 days from this date, or they will be forever barred.

This 13th day of February, A.D., 2020.
JANETTE WHITE a/k/a IAN WHITE, EXECUTRIX

Michael D. Haas, Jr.
Haas and Haas Attorneys
201 N. Second Street
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
(228) 467-6574

MS Bar No. 5091
Publish Dates: 2/19/20, 2/26/20, 3/4/20

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK

NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S SALE

WHEREAS, on September 9, 2004, John S. Neumeyer and Waveland Professional

Plaza, LLC, executed a Deed of Trust to J. Patrick Caldwell, Trustee for the benefit of BancorpSouth Bank, which Deed of Trust is recorded in the Records of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust on Land in Book 855 at Page 483-488 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; and which Deed of Trust was renewed and extended on March 1, 2007 by Deed of Trust recorded in the Records of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust on Land in Book 2007 at Page 13331-13342 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; and, WHEREAS, BancorpSouth Bank appointed and substituted Michael B. McDermott in the place and stead of said original trustee named in the aforesaid original Deeds of Trust, by instruments filed of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, and recorded in said office in Book 2008 at Page 4583 and Book 2008 at Page 4579; and

WHEREAS, on April 27, 2009, John S. Neumeyer executed a Deed of Trust to J. Patrick Caldwell, Trustee for the benefit of BancorpSouth Bank, which Deed of Trust is recorded in the Records of Mortgages and Deeds of Trust on Land in Book 2009 at Page 12484-12502 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; and, which Deed of Trust was renewed and extended on June 28, 2013 by Deed of Trust recorded in the aforesaid records in Book 2013 at Page 17174-17193 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, BancorpSouth Bank appointed and substituted Michael B. McDermott in the place and stead of said original trustee name in the aforesaid original Deeds of Trust, by instrument filed of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi and recorded in said office in Book 2014 at Page 2514.

WHEREAS, BancorpSouth Bank executed an Assignment whereby all of the above-referenced Deeds of Trust were assigned to Rand Holding, LLC, which Assignment is recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi in Book 2020 at Page 2805-2806.

WHEREAS default having been made in the terms and conditions of said Deeds of Trust in favor of Rand Holding, LLC, and the holder of the notes and Deeds of Trust having requested the Substitute Trustee to sell the subject property, I will, on the 11th day of March, 2020, offer for sale and sell at public outcry, between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. at the main front door of the County Courthouse of Hancock County, at 152 Main Street in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest bidder, the following described property, lying and being situated in Hancock County, State of Mississippi, to-wit:

That certain portion of land situated in Section 34, Township 8 South, Range 14 West, Hancock County, Mississippi, said property including Lots A, One (1) and Two (2), Block One (1), PINE FOREST SUBDIVISION, a subdivision according to the official map or plat thereof on file of and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Plat Book 2 at Page 65 thereof, reference to which is hereby made in aid and as a part of this description.

Said property being more fully described as follows:

Commencing at the intersection of the West margin of Nicholson Avenue and the South margin of U.S. Highway 90, run thence along the South margin of U.S. Highway 90, South 68 degrees 46 minutes 36 seconds West a distance of 345.00 feet to an iron rod found at the POINT OF BEGINNING. Thence continue along said South margin, South 68 degrees 45 minutes 31 seconds West; distance of 50.02 feet to an iron rod found; thence run South 19 degrees 47 minutes 33 seconds East a distance of 53.21 feet to an iron rod found; thence run South 00 degrees 40 minutes 03 seconds West a distance of 200.04 feet to an iron rod found; thence run North 89 degrees 43 minutes 56 seconds West a distance of 167.80 feet to an iron rod; thence run South 00 degrees 31 minutes 25 seconds East a distance of 522.13 feet to an iron rod; thence run North 89 degrees 10 minutes 26 seconds East a distance of 395.15 feet to an iron pipe found; thence run North 02 degrees 55 minutes 29 seconds East a distance of 585.45 feet to an iron pipe found at the Southwest (SW) corner of Lot Two (2), Block one (1), Pine Forest Subdivision; thence run South 89 degrees 16 minutes 32 seconds East a distance of 100.38 feet to an iron rod found on the West margin of First Street; thence run along the West margin of First Street, North 03 degrees 04 minutes 22 seconds East a distance of 110.06 degrees to an iron rod found at the Northeast (NE) corner of Lot One (1), Block One (1), Pine Forest Subdivision, said iron rod is also located at the intersection of the West margin of First Street and the North margin of Second Street; thence run along the North margin of Second Street; North 89 degrees 57 minutes 17 seconds East a distance of 197.23 feet to an iron rod found on the West margin of Nicholson Avenue; thence run north along the said West margin, North 44 degrees 25 minutes 48 seconds West a distance of 68.14 feet to an iron rod found; thence run North 89 degrees 53 minutes 15 seconds West a distance of 197.45 feet to an iron spike found; thence run South 00 degrees 02 minutes 33 seconds West a distance of 82.22 feet to an iron rod found; thence run South 68 degrees 43 minutes 19 seconds West a distance of 224.83 feet to an iron rod found; thence run North 21 degrees 15 minutes 31 seconds West a distance of 220.11 feet to an iron rod found at the Point of Beginning. Said parcel contains 6.149 acres, more or less, and being the same as the parcel shown on the survey dated September 1, 2004 by Duke Levy & Associates, P.A.

I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee.

Signed, posted and advertised this 13th day of February, 2020.

/s/ MICHAEL B. MCDERMOTT,
SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE

02/19/20, 02/26/20, 03/04/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN RE THE HEIRS-AT-LAW OF:
MARION ELAINE ELLIOTT, DECEASED

CAUSE NO.: 23CHI-20-cv-076-MA
RUSSELL E. ELLIOTT, PETITIONER

SUMMONS
TO: the known and unknown Heirs-at-Law of MARION ELAINE ELLIOTT, Deceased: You have been made parties respondent in the above cause, filed in the Court by Russell E. Elliott, seeking to establish the heirs-at-law of said Marion Elaine Elliott, deceased.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the Petition filed herein at 9:00 o'clock a.m. on the 30th day of March, 2020, in the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Gulfport, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the Petition.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but may do so if you desire. ISSUED under my hand and seal of Court, this 18th day of February, 2020.

TIM KELLAR, Chancery Clerk
Hancock County Mississippi
Post Office Box 429
Bay St. Louis, MS 39521
By: /s/ Cassie Tribble
DEPUTY CLERK
PUBLISH: 02/26/20, 03/04/20, 03/11/20

NOTICE OF SALE
Notice is hereby given that Universal Storage, Inc., 5402 Gex Drive, Diamondhead, MS 39525, will sell to the highest bidder for cash the contents of Unit 150, the property of John Brogdon, whose last known address 22366 Fenton Dedeaux Rd, Kln, MS, 39556. The sale shall take place on March 11th 2020, at 2 PM at Universal Storage, Inc., 5402 Gex Drive, Diamondhead, MS 39525. Publish: 02/26/20, 03/04/20, 03/11/20

The Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission is seeking a qualified candidate to fill a newly created position, Director of Public Works. The position will have overall responsibility for facility life cycle planning, permitting, design, engineering and construction, and maintenance of HCPHC assets. To view a complete description and requirements of the position, please visit the Hancock County Port & Harbor's website at www.portairspace.com under "ABOUT" "Doing Business With HCPHC" Please send cover letter and resume to [hcpch.ms by March 15, 2020. HCPHC is an equal opportunity employer.](mailto:tladner@</p></div><div data-bbox=)

02/26/20, 03/04/20

The City of Waveland
Public Awareness Notice

The City of Waveland owns and operates a natural gas distribution system in and around the City of Waveland. The purpose of the gas system is to provide a reliable and safe economical source of energy for heating purposes to the homes and businesses adjacent to the underground gas pipelines. The hazards of natural gas are that it is: odorless, colorless, tasteless, lighter than air and can ignite and/or explode with tremendous force when mixed with the right amount of air. Prevention measures taken include:

• adding odorant to the gas to give it that distinctive smell, similar to rotten eggs, to warn us of its presence,

• testing the odorant level each calendar quarter,

• performing annual gas leakage surveys, and conducting periodic pipeline patrols.

The following are signs that may indicate a gas leak:

• A hissing or roaring sound (caused by escaping gas),

• A patch of dead or discolored vegetation in an otherwise green setting along a pipeline route,

• Blowing dirt, grass or leaves near a pipeline, • Continuous bubbling in wet, flooded areas,

• A "gas smell" similar to rotten eggs.

Safety Procedure:
Anyone who may smell this odor or notice any unusual conditions on or near gas mains, vents, service lines, meter sets, or especially inside of a building should call the City immediately. If you smell a strong gas odor inside a building, notify everyone in the building to leave. Do not operate any switches or use the phone. Go to a safe distance away upwind of the gas smell and call the City. With any gas leak report life first then property, then notify the City. Excavator Procedure:

Pipeline markers are maintained to inform the public of the gas line location. State and federal laws require excavators to notify MS One-Call 2 Full working days before digging. If any excavation is planned you must notify MS One-Call which will notify the City to locate the gas lines. The City maintains membership in the MS One-Call program.

To obtain additional information or report a gas related issue call the City of Waveland at 228-467-9248. The MS One-Call Center phone number is 811. This information and the pipeline signs are provided as public awareness and damage prevention awareness notices.

02/26/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF STEVEN DAVID HAEGER

NO. 19-704(2)
LAIFE ANN HAEGER, EXECUTRIX

BRALEY R. HAEGER, TRUSTEE OF "JEFF'S TRUST"

& JEFFREY K. HAEGER A/K/A JEFFERY K. HAEGER

PETITIONERS & BENEFICIARIES
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 30th day of January, 2020, by the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi to the undersigned, on the Estate of STEVEN DAVID HAEGER deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of this Court for probate and registration according to the law within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this Notice or they will be forever barred.

This the 13th day of February, 2020.

/s/ LAIFE ANN HAEGER, EXECUTRIX
Prepared and presented by:

Michael J. Yentzen, Attorney at Law, PLLC
1914 24th Avenue
Gulfport, Mississippi 39501

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Email: michael.yentzen@yentzenlaw.com
02/26/20, 03/04/20, 03/11/20

DIAMONDHEAD WATER & SEWER DISTRICT

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
September 30, 2019

ASSETS
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

\$8,306,915
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE (NET)

698,587
INTERGOVERNMENTAL RECEIVABLES

2,500,097
PREPAID EXPENSE

76,803
INVENTORY

81,909
RESTRICTED ASSETS:

CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS
2,264,238

CAPITAL ASSETS - NOT DEPRECIATED
2,770,536

CAPITAL ASSETS - DEPRECIATED (NET)
52,088,208

TOTAL ASSETS
\$68,787,293

LIABILITIES
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE & OTHER

LIABILITIES

Additional information regarding the scope of work for this solicitation may also be examined at the following locations:

A. Mississippi Procurement Technical Assistance Program (MPTAP) Mississippi Development Authority, Minority & Small Business Development Woolfolk Building 501 North West Street Suite B 01 Jackson, MS 39201 B. South MS Contract Procurement Center 1636 Poppys Ferry Road, Suite 203 Biloxi, MS 39532 Phone (228) 396-1288

Any contract awarded under this solicitation may be paid for in whole or in part with grant funding from the Department of the Treasury and the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality under the Resources and Ecosystems Sustainability, Tourist Opportunities, and Revived Economies of the Gulf Coast States Act of 2012 (RESTORE Act). Any contract resulting from this solicitation will be subject to the terms and conditions of said funding award, the RESTORE Act Financial Assistance Standard Terms and Conditions and Program-Specific Terms and Conditions, the Standard Sub-Award Terms and Conditions, the RETORE Act, 33 U. S. C. 1321(i), Treasury Regulations 31 C. F. R. § 34 et seq., including 31 C. F. R. § 34, Subpart D, all applicable terms and conditions in 2 C. F. R. Part 200 (including Appendix II to Part 200), and all other OMB circulars, executive orders or other federal laws or regulations, as applicable. The Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality, the United States, or any of its departments, agencies or employees is not and will not be a party to this solicitation or any resulting contract.

Minority and women's business enterprises are solicited to submit a statement of qualifications and are encouraged to make inquiries regarding potential subcontracting opportunities. When subcontracting, all potential contractors must make positive efforts to use small and minority owned business and women business enterprises. See 2. C. F. R. § 200.321.

If you have any questions concerning the Request for Qualifications, please call Hancock County Utility Authority office at (228) 467-3702.

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HANCOCK COUNTY UTILITY AUTHORITY ADVERTISEMENT - REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES Sealed Proposals will be received by the Hancock County Utility Authority at 401 Gulfside Street, Waveland, MS 39576 until 2:00 p.m., March 6, 2020, for Professional Legal Services, as described below: Legal services for work related to the Bayou LaCroix Wastewater System Upgrades Project for the Mississippi Gulf Coast Water Quality Improvement Program with funding made available pursuant to the Direct Component of the RESTORE ACT. The project will provide for the construction of a central sanitary wastewater collection system, the decommissioning of residential septic systems, and the establishment of connections from the included residences to the newly constructed wastewater collection system. Legal services will include services associated with obtaining easements and/or right-of-entries from property owners and all legal services components relative to the Sub-Award Agreement with the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality and the associated requirements of the RESTORE ACT.

Information packets will be located at the address listed above, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Firms/individuals should submit proposals in accordance with the Information Packet. Firms/Individuals must submit the name of the primary contact person and the person within the firm (if applicable) who shall be the Owner's contact and party primarily responsible for rendering services, if selected.

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR RESPONSES TO REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS Notice is hereby given that Hancock County School District shall receive responses from qualified responders to provide janitorial equipment and services. Said responses are to be delivered to 17304 Highway 603, Kiln, MS-39556 in accordance with this RFP. A detailed "Request for Proposals" may be obtained from the Project Manager: Brian Williams Hancock County School District 17304 Highway 603 Kiln, MS 39556 228-255-6240 02/26/20, 03/04/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF PAMELA KAY MIMS, DECEASED CAUSE NO. 23CH1:18-cv-688-CB LOWELL BRELAND MIMS, JR. PETITIONER SUMMONS (MRCP Rule 81) (Service by Publication: Unknown Heirs) To the Unknown Heirs of PAMELA KAY MIMS, also known as PAMALA KAY MIMS, Deceased, whose past and current addresses are unknown: You have been made Defendant(s) in the above styled lawsuit filed in this Court by Lowell Breland Mims, Jr., Petitioner. The Petition filed against you is commenced in the Estate of Pamela Kay Mims, in order to establish the heirs at law of Pamela Kay Mims. Deceased. You are summoned to appear and defend against the Petition filed against you in this action at 9:00 a.m. on the 1st day of April, 2020, in the Place Four Courtroom of the Harrison County Chancery Court, First Judicial District, located at 1801 23rd Avenue, Gulfport, Mississippi 39501, before the Honorable Carter Bise, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a default judgment will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire. TIMOTHY A. KELLAR Hancock County Chancery Clerk

DATED: 2-21-2020 BY: Bridgette Ladner D.C. Publication dates: 02/26/20, 03/04/20, 03/11/20

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES HOWARD PAULUS, DECEASED, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of this Court for probate and registration according to law, within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred. THIS, the 13th day of February 2020. SUSAN CARTER JOYCE, EXECUTRIX Prepared by: Zach Butterworth, MS Bar No. 9946 Hesse & Butterworth, PLLC Post Office Box 3567 Bay St. Louis, MS 39520 Tele: 228-255-7500 Fax: 228-255-9009 Attorney for Executrix Publish: 02/26/20, 03/04/20, 03/11/20

SECTION 001113 - ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FROM: 1.01 THE OWNER (HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS OWNER): A. Hancock County School District B. Address: Hancock County School District Administration Building 17304 Highway 603 Kiln, MS, 39556 1.02 AND THE ENGINEER/ARCHITECT (HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS ENGINEER/ARCHITECT): A. Machado/Patano, PLLC & M/P Design Group, PLLC B. Address: 918 Howard Avenue, Suite F Biloxi, MS 39530 228-388-1950 (Phone) 228-388-1971 (Fax) www.mpeng.us (Web Site) www.mpengplans.us (Plan Room) 1.03 TO: POTENTIAL BIDDERS A. Your firm is invited to submit an offer under seal to Owner for construction of a building located at: Hancock County Middle School 7070 Stennis Airport Rd Kiln, Mississippi39556 Before 2:00 pm local standard time on the 2nd day of April, 2020, for: B. Project Name: Hancock Middle Locker Rn. Add. C. Project Number: 0239.20.001 D. Project Description: This project consists of modifications to Hancock Middle School to add a new locker room to the west end of the existing gymnasium along with all associated site improvements as described in the Construction Documents and Specifications.

E. Bid Documents for a Stipulated Sum contract may be obtained from the website of the Architect at www.mpengplans.us upon receipt of a non-refundable deposit, by cash or check, in the amount indicated on the plan room site<= for one set delivered in electronic PDF format. F. Bidders will be required to provide Bid security in the form of a Bid Bond of a sum no less than 5 percent of the Bid Amount or a certified check for a sum no less than 5 percent of the Bid Amount. G. Refer to other bidding requirements described in Document 002113 - Instructions to Bidders and Document 003100 - Available Project Information. H. Submit your offer on the Bid Form provided. Bidders may supplement this form as appropriate. I. If Bids are mailed or hand-delivered, then they must be contained in a sealed envelope marked on the outside with the project name. They must be on file as received or delivered by the time stated above to the address of the Owner stated above. Do not deliver Bids to the project address or the Architect's address. J. Electronic Bid Submission will be accepted on this project. Online bids can be placed on the website of the Architect at www.mpengplans.us. If bids are electronically submitted, then a title page containing the same information as would occur on the front of a sealed envelope must be included and must be clearly indicated as such in the file name.

K. Bids in excess of \$50,000.00 must be marked on the outside of the envelope with the contractor's Mississippi certificate of responsibility number as issued by the Mississippi Board of Contractors. L. Your offer will be required to be submitted under a condition of irrevocability for a period of 60 days after submission. M. The Owner reserves the right to accept or reject any or all offers. END OF SECTION 02/26/20, 03/04/20

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INVITATION FOR BIDS FOREST PRODUCTS FOR SALE ON HANCOCK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT LANDS Sealed bids will be received by the Hancock County Board of Education at the School District Office, 17304, Hwy 603 Kiln, MS 39556 up to and not later than 10:00 A.M. March 2, 2020, for the purchase on a per-ton basis for all timber, standing or down, designated for harvesting in Section 16, Township 6 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi. Each bidder is expected to make their own cruise and to bid accordingly. Before bids are submitted, full information concerning the timber, the conditions of sale and the submission of bids should be obtained from, James Shumppert, Assistant Regional Forester, Mississippi Forestry Commission, P.O. Box 345, Poplarville, MS 39470, telephone number (601) 548-4873. The right to reject any and all bids is reserved. The sale is a pay as cut 1st thin on 140 acre + pine plantation which includes operator select/corridor thinning. The stand is a hand planted, 22 year old loblolly pine plantation, with an average merchantable height of 34 feet, and an average DBH of 9.8 inches. At present the average basal area is 145 square feet per acre. Corridors 15 feet wide will be harvested and utilized as haul and skid roads. The width between corridors will be 45 feet. The timber will be thinned to an average of 70 square feet of basal area per acre. Trees designated for sale are those, pulpwood & chip-n-saw size trees not needed to form an average basal area of 70 square feet per acre. Such leave basal area shall consist of evenly distributed trees of sawlog or potential sawlog quality trees. Bids will be on a per-ton basis for the following products: Pine: Pulpwood, Chip-N-Saw & Sawtimber and Hardwood Pulpwood. Publication Dates: 02/05/20, 02/12/20, 02/19/20, 02/26/20

“HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI” PAYMENT DOCKET FOR OCTOBER 2019 AMOUNT PAYEE 250 EXTENSION CENTER FOR GOV’ 17978 WRIGHT NATIONAL FLOOD INS 1684.05 “HIRST STOP HEALTH, LLC” 125 AT & T 1126.72 AT & T 1785 HANCOCK COUNTY CHAMBER OF 83.52 JOSEPH PETTIGREW 9530.96 GULF REGIONAL PLANNING CO 100 CHARLES MIKE SMITH 7451.39 HARRISON COUNTY CHANCERY 3416.67 RIVER BEND VETERINARY HS 875 EDMOND FAHEY FUNERAL HOME 100 MS VITAL RECORDS 320 AXIS 217.82 FLEETCOR TECHNOLOGIES 1957 “OMNI TECHNOLOGIES, LLC” 76.8 HUEY BANG 170048.75 BXS INSURANCE 4100 KELLAR TIM 237.24 PRESTON J. MAUFFRAY 1005 PRESTON J. MAUFFRAY 7075.32 TRAVELERS 15000 PHILIP’S PEST CONTROL 180100 HANCOCK COUNTY SCHOOL DIS 3468.74 HANCOCK COUNTY SOLID WAST 2200 SUPREME COURT OF MISSISSI 51 STANDARD DEDEAUX WATER DI 150 MSME 9123.33 AT & T PRO CABS 62 “ORAMA, ANGELA” 62 “MORTON, STEPHEN” 62 “MILLER, MELINDA” 27 “JAMES, CYBIL” 50 “DWYER, PATRICK” 62 “LUDDE, DEBRA” 50 “AMMENTORP, MADELEINE” 62 “ARRIETA, ARACELI” 54 “BARRIOS, DAPHNE” 50 “DEDEAUX, MICHAEL” 50 “HALL, DOROTHY” 62 “CROZAT, BRIAN” 50 “FLEMING, BRANDON” 58 “OSZMAN, CHESTER III” 62 “PIKE, MARGARET” 50 “CARMICHAEL, RANDALL” 70 “BROOM, REBA” 25 “CORDEIRO, DARYLL” 31 “STANFORD, CRYSTAL” 1650 HANCOCK COUNTY RENTALS 2743 AT & T 8347.14 “CANON FINANCIAL SERVICES,” 635.25 C SPIRE WIRELESS 50 AIMIE CECCATO 50 ALBERT LOUIS JEANFREAU 1666.67 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE 50 DONNA ESTOPINAL 6250 HANCOCK COUNTY HEALTH DEP 100333.33 HANCOCK COUNTY LIBRARY 50 “LEWIS, KAREN” 50 LYNN SEALS 200 NEOPOST USA INC 833.33 RED CROSS - MS GULF COAST 50 “ROBINSON, LATINA” 404.17 RSVP 50 “SAUCIER, TONYA” 9541.67 SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION 3750 GULF COAST MENTAL HEALTH 6291.7 COAST ELECTRIC POWER ASSN 243.86 CAR PARTS CENTER 322.84 LAWRENCE PRINTING COMPANY 16.95 NEWELL PAPER COMPANY 378 SOUTHERN PIPE & SUPPLY 536.2 SOUTHERN PRINTING 82.87 GULF COAST BUSINESS SUPPL 445.26 SUN COAST/CLAYS BUS SUPPL 166 SLADE’S 101.15 SPEEDY PRINTING 165.32 COASTAL HARDWARE & RENTAL 754.92 MULTI SERVICE TECHNOLOGY 57 KENTWOOD SPRING WATER CO. 41.27 “EAGLE ENERGY, INC” 33.96 ROBINSON ELECTRIC PICAYUN 900 TNT LEWIS INCORPORATED 5663.27 REINHART FOOD SERVICE LOU 260.68 FLOWERS BAKING COMPANY OF 40.32 CHILLYS LLC 290 GET STITCHED 1464.75 DAVISON FUELS INC 942.6 S&L OFFICE SUPPLIES 25 “SHORELINE ENVIRONMENTAL,” 350 GRAHAM’S AUTO GLASS 230 “SOUTHERN FIRE SPRINKLER,” 31.04 “BUTCHER DISTRIBUTORS, LLC” 125 ANN MADDEN PHOTOGRAPHY & D 2753.69 IN-SYNCH SYSTEMS 5526.04 FLEETCOR TECHNOLOGIES 50 RLI INSURANCE COMPANY 1512 RODGER WESLEY MCREE 1260 JOSEPH EDWARD BANASHAK SR 500 DANIEL GILKERSON 1020 DEPT OF PUBLIC SAFETY 246 EDDIE WALLEY 246 CASEY PIAZZA 47.78 FLEETCOR TECHNOLOGIES 21688.63 COAST ELECTRIC POWER ASSN 10540.88 HANCOCK COUNTY WATER & SE 348 QUEST DIAGNOSTICS 1500 “JAMES C. CRITTENDEN, M.D.” 3840 “METRIX SOLUTIONS, LLC” 5639.41 FLEETCOR TECHNOLOGIES 3703.69 HANCOCK COUNTY SCHOOL DIS 781.56 BAY ST LOUIS/WAVELAND SCH 176.58 CITY OF BAY ST LOUIS 227.89 CITY OF WAVELAND 27909 HANCOCK COUNTY HUMAN RESO 78.92 FLEETCOR TECHNOLOGIES 1000 MS CHANCERY CLERK’S ASSOC 1500 MGCCC 237.5 CHEM-AQUA/INC 112136.5 HANCOCK COUNTY HUMAN RESO 6576.68 COAST ELECTRIC POWER ASSN 36 “UTILITY SERVICES, LLC” 17 STANDARD DEDEAUX WATER DI 438 UNITED SITE SERVICES OF M 64 CAR PARTS CENTER 129.68 GULF COAST BUSINESS SUPPL 505.94 SUN COAST/CLAYS BUS SUPPL 232.53 OFFICE DEPOT CREDIT PLAN 300.11 COASTAL HARDWARE & RENTAL 2199.99 MULTI SERVICE TECHNOLOGY

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before the Governing Body on the date and hour specified in Section 4 hereof.

Section 7. The Authority reasonably expects that it will incur expenditures prior to the issuance of the Bonds, which it intends to reimburse with the proceeds of the Bonds upon the issuance thereof. This declaration of official intent to reimburse expenditures made prior to the issuance of the bonds in anticipation of the issuance of the Bonds is made pursuant to the Department of Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-2 (the reimbursement regulations). The Project for which such expenditures are made is the same as described hereinabove. The maximum principal amount of debt expected to be issued for the Project is the amount hereinabove set forth.

Section 8. If any one or more of the provisions of this resolution shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any of the other provisions of this resolution, but this resolution shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal or invalid provision or provisions had not been contained herein.

Section 9. All orders, resolutions or proceedings of the Governing Body in conflict with any provision hereof shall be, and the same are hereby repealed, rescinded and set aside, but only to the extent of such conflict. For cause, this resolution shall become effective upon the adoption hereof.

Director Ron Duckworth seconded the Motion. After discussion, the matter was put to a roll call vote. The result was as follows:

Farron Hoda	voted: Yes
James Lamy	voted: Yes
Eddie Favre	voted: Yes
Ron Duckworth	voted: Yes
Patricia Cuevas	voted: Yes
Mike Favre	voted: Yes

Having received the unanimous affirmative vote of all Directors present, and constituting a majority of the entire Board membership, the Chairman declared the Motion carried and the Resolution adopted.

SO RESOLVED AND ORDERED on this, the 6th day of February, 2020.

Hancock County Utility Authority
By: /s/Eddie Favre
Chairman
ATTEST:
/s/David C. Pitalo
Executive Director
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answer is “some-what”. In Justice Harlan’s dissent he said the “Constitution is color blind”. And, Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka 347 U.S. 483 (1954) asserted that segregation by race was unconstitutional. Sadly, the Brown v. Board decision never ve-

hement asserted denial of Plessy v. Ferguson projecting full concurrence with Justice Harlan’s dissent. As the utmost authority representing equality through race for the globally interconnected society, the U.S. must continue defining the image of autonomy in race and equality. Race in America is a consortium of color defined by, heritage,

ethnicity, skin tone and perception. Undeniably, color has never been the standard bearer, yet enjoys a form of protected status within the confines of the Fourteenth Amendment, but not in the Plessy decision. Paradoxically, the same cannot be realized in other parts of the world where no such equivalent exist. According to President James Madison, “a free re-

public depends ultimately upon public opinion”. To fully embrace public opinion, we all must subscribe to the consensus that color and race are inextricable and expressively interchangeable and comprise the full sovereignty of Americanism. In the face of the visible effects of desegregation in modernity, a report by the Russell Sage Foundation and

Brown University, titled “Separate and Unequal in Suburbia” interprets a contemporary version of “color” inequality. Despite ubiquitous ethnic divisions that defines all races it is not an issue of melanin, but socioeconomic opportunity which presents itself as a color construct in modernity. When the visionaries of yesteryear approached Homer Plessy their intent

was not economic prosperity, but colorblind equality. In the future when my one-fourth granddaughters reminisce about their past who will be the Homer Plessy their seven-eighths grandchildren study during Black History month. Ricky O. Coles Jr. MBA Student, LPD; Law and Policy Doctorate, Northeastern University

Samford University Names Favre to Fall Term 2019 Dean’s List

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Mason Favre of Bay Saint Louis was among the 1,759 students named to the Samford University’s 2019 fall semester Dean’s List. To qualify for the dean’s list, a student must have earned a minimum 3.5 grade point average out of a possible 4.0 while attempting at least 12 credit

hours of coursework. Dean’s List is the highest academic recognition given by the school at the end of each semester. Favre is majoring in Sports Medicine (HP). About Samford University-Samford is a premier nationally ranked Christian university offering undergraduate programs grounded in the liberal arts and a distinct blend of graduate and professional schools.

Isabelle Gelpi Named to College of Charleston Fall 2019 Dean’s List

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Isabelle Gelpi, of Bay St Louis, MS, was named to the College of Charleston Fall 2019 Dean’s List. Gelpi is a Studio Art and Marketing major. To qualify for President’s List (Highly Distinguished), students must earn a GPA of 3.800 or higher and complete a minimum of 14 semester hours. To qualify for Dean’s List (Distinguished), students must earn a GPA of 3.600 or higher and complete a minimum of 14 semester

hours.

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On Friday, Holy Trinity Catholic School hosted its annual Mardi Gras parade. In addition to parading through the streets of downtown Bay St. Louis, the members from the Krewe of Nereids 2020 royal court also paid a visit to the school and toasted the school's own royalty. This year's court included: PreK3: Maid: Eleni Everhart, Duke: Henry Lewis. Maid: Lily Heaps, Duke: Declan Bishop. PreK4: Duke: Noah DiPietro, Maid: Adrianna DiFilippo, Duke: Nicholas Dudek. Kindergarten: Queen: Addison Ross, King: Michael Brewer. Maid: Jaimie Mayfield, Duke: Thomas Freeman. 1st grade: Maid: Ella Kobs, Duke: Cole Kerner. 2nd grade: Maid: Reese Lichtenstein, Duke: Peyton Gauthier. 3rd grade: Maid: Ashlynn Tolar, Duke: Easton Grogg. 4th grade: Maid: Leah Vollenweider, Duke: Wyatt Carter. 5th grade: Maid: Maddie Galle, Duke: Jonathan Gipson, Maid: Mackenzie Knoblock, Duke: Ashton Peterson. 6th grade: Maid: Gracie Veazey, Duke: Landen Schmitt. Bay St. Louis Mayor Mike Favre toasted the royal court.

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Wedding planning tips and tricks

Recently engaged couples are often so swept up in the excitement surrounding their engagements that they can be forgiven for initially overlooking all the wedding planning that awaits them. Planning a wedding is no small task, but many couples very much enjoy all the hard work that goes into making their special day a success.

It's hard for newly engaged couples who have never before planned a wedding to know what awaits them. But the following tips can help make the wedding planning process go smoothly.

- Find your organization method. Organization is the key to pulling off the wedding of your dreams. Whether your organizational style is best served by jotting details like dates and deposit deadlines down in a notebook or utilizing an on-line spreadsheet or smartphone app, choose your method early on. Keeping information and reminders in one place can make it easier to manage all the tasks that lie ahead.

- Take your time. There's no rush to the altar. Feel free to extend the engagement long enough to keep stress levels down and get the location and ceremony of your dreams. Many recently engaged couples feel pressured to get married right away. Stretching out the engagement to save money or give yourself more time to plan can make for a wonderful wedding day.
- Discuss the budget openly and honestly. Did you know a New York City wedding can cost \$77,000, according to Money magazine? Wedding costs can vary widely, and couples should sit down together to decide what they can afford and are willing to pay for.
- Decide on a guest list. Planning decisions are often based around the projected number of guests. You'll need to have a ballpark figure regarding guests before you can choose a venue and make other decisions, such as where guests will stay. And if the majority of guests are coming from a certain area, such



as your hometown, you may want to bring the wedding to them instead of asking them to come to you.

- Create a priorities list. Make a list of at least three things that are most important for each of you. It may be the ceremony location, the food or another factor. Knowing what is important can help you negotiate prices and understand what to look for when planning.

These are some of the considerations couples should make while planning their weddings. While it's important to consider these factors and others, it's also important that couples have fun when planning their nuptials.

How couples can benefit from hiring local wedding vendors

Local vendors are often a go-to choice when couples are planning their wedding ceremonies and receptions. As the "shop local" movement grows in popularity, weddings present a prime opportunity to embrace this movement.

Couples may have different ideas regarding where to tie the knot, but local vendors can be hired regardless of geography. Brides magazine says the biggest factor influencing wedding location is the size of the guest list and the number of people who wouldn't be able to attend if the wedding was in a particular locale. Hometowns might be the traditional choice regarding wedding location, but the XO Group says one in four couples now host destination weddings.

Once couples choose a town or city to host their weddings, they can begin exploring the benefits of working with locally-based vendors.

FAMILIARITY

Local vendors will be familiar with the area and possibly even the location where the wedding will be held. That can help couples avoid having to give directions, discuss venue protocols, and handle other



tasks that must be worked out with non-local vendors. For example, local photographers familiar with a particular venue will know all of the best places to get shots, and some vendors may have preexisting relationships with venue representatives that could ensure wedding day operations go smoothly.

PROXIMITY

Local vendors can meet with brides

and grooms more readily throughout the planning process, making things less stressful on the happy couple. This also makes it easier to drop off deposits, attend meetings, make fitting appointments, or attend styling sessions.

SAVINGS

Couples who travel for their weddings and employ local vendors will not have to pack as much. Using lo-

cal vendors eliminates the need to bring along bulky dresses, decorative items, flowers, and much more. Plus, couples needn't pay to transport and house vendors brought along from back home.

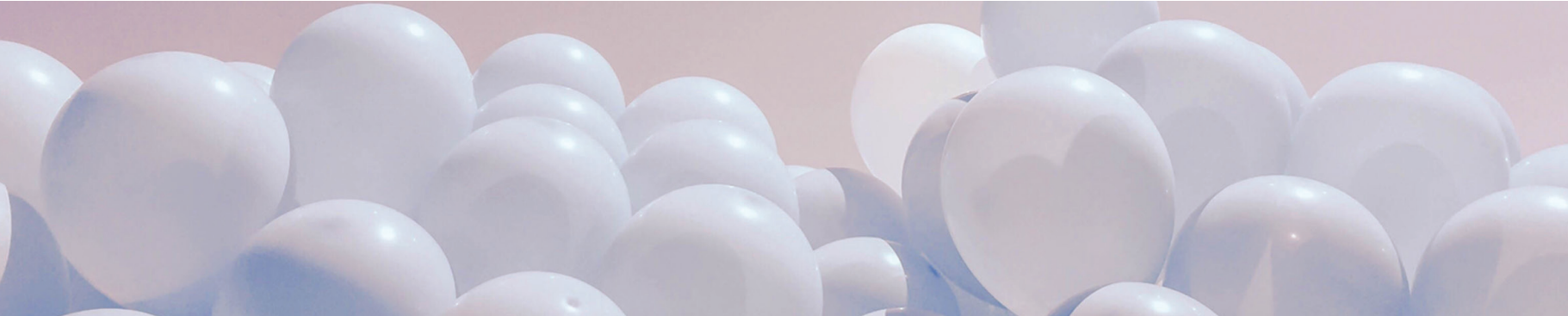
ENVIRONMENT

Individuals who take great strides to conserve resources by reducing their energy consumption and protecting the environment often find that shopping local is beneficial. Local vendors are more likely to source their materials from other local businesses, reducing their carbon footprints along the way. For example, local caterers may rely on local farmers for their foods, affording couples the chance to host eco-friendly or even farm-to-table weddings.

CUSTOMIZATION

Working with local vendors often translates into getting more personalized service and attention than mass retailers or merchants can provide.

Going local when choosing wedding vendors is an increasingly popular choice among couples about to tie the knot.



Tips for choosing a wedding reception menu

Weddings are memorable for a host of reasons. While couples remember their weddings because they mark the day they officially tied the knot, guests may remember weddings for other reasons, including the food served at the reception.

Some wedding venues are known for their stunning landscapes, while others build their reputations on unique interiors that provide unforgettable ambiance. But regardless of where weddings take place, guests are liable to discuss the food served at the reception. Guests might rave about the escargot or complain that the fish was flaky, but couples who choose reception menus wisely can go a long way toward ensuring there are more compliments than complaints once the dinner bell rings.

- Don't zero in on specialties. According to The Knot 2017 Real Weddings Study, a survey of nearly 13,000 brides and grooms who tied the knot in 2017, the average wedding hosted 136 guests. While couples might be tempted by specialty dishes when choosing their wedding menus, couples who are hosting dozens, if not hundreds, of guests should keep things simple.

- Consider potential allergies. In regard to entrées, make sure guests with food allergies can choose something that won't make them sick. According to Food Allergy Research & Education®, an organization devoted

to improving the quality of life of individuals with food allergies, some common foods cause the majority of allergic reactions. Peanuts, soy, sesame, and shellfish are among the most common food allergies, according to FARE®. FARE also notes that allergies to wheat, milk and eggs are common in children. While such foods can still be served at wedding receptions, make sure to also include foods that are unlikely to trigger allergic reactions. Couples can even ask guests to inform them of any food allergies.

- Don't hesitate to offer a favorite food. While specialty entrées might not be a great choice, especially at large receptions where lots of mouths must be fed, a couple who has a favorite food that's symbolic of their relationship should not hesitate to offer it during the cocktail hour. For example, a couple who met in Thailand may want to offer a favorite Thai dish.

- Offer an elaborate dessert. The last bite guests will take is dessert, so couples who want their guests to go home raving about the food may want to offer something special after the entrées have been taken away. Some guests may not indulge, but those who do might end their nights thinking about the delicious dessert they enjoyed as the festivities drew to a close. If the dessert is especially unique, offer something more traditional alongside it for more hesitant



guests.

Choosing a wedding menu should be fun. Menus should reflect not only couples' tastes but also include some popular foods so no one goes home hungry.

5 ways to cut wedding reception costs

Weddings have a tendency to be expensive endeavors. According to The Knot's 2018 Real Weddings Study, the national average cost of a wedding is \$33,931. Nearly half of that (\$15,439) is spent on the reception venue alone.

As expensive as wedding receptions can be, couples should know that there are many ways to reduce reception costs without sacrificing fun.

1. Choose foods wisely
Pour over the details of catering costs. The Knot says the average price for catering will be \$68 per person. If you opt for an appetizers and cocktails reception, you may be able to shave several dollars off the bill. Look closely at the pricing for buffet versus plated meals. Buffet service often means having a greater quantity of food on hand, which could drive up the cost. Find out if the catering hall

can work with your budget to provide cost-conscious options, like familiar comfort foods instead of gourmet fare.

2. Serve a custom-made cocktail

A themed drink, such as punch or a classic spirit with a reimagined, wedding-friendly name, can be less expensive than offering full open bar service. Some couples also opt to pay for only wine and beer rather than a full open bar that includes liquor and mixed drinks.

3. Book a weeknight
Weekend weddings are easier on guests' schedules, but not on couples' budgets. Couples can save thousands of dollars by hosting weeknight weddings instead of weekend affairs. Book the venue from Monday through Friday, as even Sunday prices have escalated. The further away from the weekend, the lower the prices tend to be.

4. Fake the cake
The Knot indicates a wedding cake runs roughly \$530. Consider displaying a mock cake for photos and then serve a sheet cake during dessert hour. Decorating foam tiers to look like an extravagant cake can save a few hundred dollars, and guests won't know the difference when they're biting into a delicious, less costly dessert.

5. Skip the extras
Reception venues may upcharge for all the little details, such as linens in custom colors or chair covers. If you can live without these extras, do so. Ask for a list of itemized extras so you can assess what you want to pay for and what you'd prefer to avoid.

Wedding receptions are costly, but there are many ways to save money and still enjoy a memorable evening.

BAND OR DJ? HOW ABOUT BOTH?

Few elements can make or break a couple's wedding day more than entertainment. While factors like the weather are beyond couples' control, ensuring guests have an opportunity to dance or sing along to some good music is something couples can emphasize as they plan their weddings.

When it comes to music, the two main options for weddings are a live band or a disc jockey. Each has its share of advantages and disadvantages. A live band may be more expensive, but it can get the crowd excited. A good bandleader also acts as a master of ceremonies and can pay attention to the vibe of the room, tailoring a playlist around that overall mood. Plus, bands offer live performances, which adds an extra special element to the occasion that can't be replicated at home.

A DJ is a popular choice, and today's DJs are often artists in their own right. They know just how to select and seamlessly mix music to create the mood and really keep the party going. Couples who prefer to hear original



versions of particular songs — especially for their first dance song — often prefer DJs. The popular wedding planning resource The Knot also says that it is often no problem for a DJ to find and play a song from an extensive digital library, while bands may not be able to learn and perform a song in time.

Couples who can be flexible with their entertainment budgets may be able to enjoy the best of both worlds. There is nothing that

says a wedding cannot feature both a live band and a DJ. Such a wedding may just take a little more planning. Consider the scenario of bringing in a band for the cocktail hour and perhaps an hour or more during the dinner service of the reception when live music can accompany the meal. After that, a DJ can take over and drive the festivities up another notch with a late-night dance party.

Some music vendors also do a combination

of live and prerecorded music. They may have live singers who accompany recorded tracks, or digital instruments like keyboards and drum pads that can enhance recorded songs. These also are options when selecting wedding music.

There is no right or wrong answer when it comes to setting the soundtrack for a wedding.

A band, DJ or combination thereof can make the occasion even more memorable.



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Selecting a comfortable wedding gown

Many brides-to-be visit bridal shops with specific goals in mind regarding the style of their wedding gowns. Some women come equipped with magazine tear-outs or pull up ideas on their mobile phones. Others may have an entire scrapbook filled with various ideas they’ve been compiling for years.

Much consideration is given to wedding gowns. The cost and silhouette of the dress may garner the bulk of that consideration, but brides might want to spend more time considering comfort.

Depending on the time of day their weddings take place, brides can spend 12 hours or more in their wedding gowns on their wedding day. However, when shopping for their gowns, brides may prioritize beauty over comfort, even though it’s entirely possible to find a gown that’s both stunning and comfortable. When staff and friends or family who have come along to offer advice start to blush over wedding gowns, brides-to-be may feel pressured to downplay any discomfort they feel.

To make sure brides look flawless and elegant but are still comfortable in their wedding gowns, consider the following tips.

- Know what to highlight and what to cover up. No two body types are the same, and many women feel certain parts of their bodies are their best assets while they want to downplay others. Try on gowns that play up

- your best features. If you have shapely legs, consider a dramatic gown with a slit to show them off. Certain gowns can enhance the decollete or show off an hourglass shape. Remember, many gowns can be modified so that you feel secure and confident. Sleeves can be added or fabric placed to cover up any perceived flaws. Confidence and pride are important parts of the comfort factor.
- Get sized correctly. Bridal gown sizes do not coincide with street sizes. Depending on the manufacturer, brides may have to select gowns that are several sizes larger than they would normally wear. This should not be a cause for alarm. Brides should go by their measurements. Attempting to squeeze into a dress that is too small will only lead to discomfort on the wedding day.
- Purchase the right undergarments. Improperly fitting bras, shapewear and other undergarments can lead to discomfort as well. Some seamstresses can sew in supportive cups to remove the need for separate bras. Brides can explore various options to reduce the visibility of certain accoutrements.
- Move around in the gown. Brides should not just stand in front of the mirror and smile when trying on gowns. Put them through their paces. Try sitting, bending and even a little dancing. Make sure the dress is comfortable to move around in.
- Try different options. The gown



brides have in mind may not be the one they ultimately go home with. Explore different styles and materials. Choose cooler, breezier fabrics and lightweight gowns, like crêpe, georgette or organza, for summer

weddings. Heavier fabrics, such as brocade, may be more comfortable in the winter.

Wedding gowns can be both beautiful and comfortable for those who know how to shop.

Tux-renting basics

Brides-to-be may invest thousands of dollars into their wedding day ensembles. Online wedding resource The Knot says that the average cost for a wedding dress is \$1,469. Grooms generally have a much easier and less expensive experience with their wedding day attire. In fact, grooms often rent their tuxedos for minimal cost.

Renting a wedding tuxedo has its advantages, namely in the cost savings. However, it’s easy for a guy to fall into the trap of renting something that will not help him look his best if he isn’t educated about the process. Looking sharp involves a little more than just showing up to the shop and picking a tux off the rack.

Choose your retailer wisely

Many stores sell or rent suits and tuxedos. As is the case with many aspects of wedding planning, getting a recommendation from friends or family members can help grooms identify the shops that offer exemplary service. When attending others’ weddings or special events, pay attention to the look of the groom and his groomsmen. Find out where they got their tuxes. Price alone should not dictate where to shop.

Once bridesmaid dresses have

been selected, the groomsmen can begin to shop around for tuxedos. This way ties and vests will coordinate. Initial tux selection should begin between four and six months before the wedding.

Get a proper fitting

The experts at Men’s Wearhouse say that it is important to be fitted for a tux or suit properly. Their professionals can handle the measurements, or men shopping elsewhere can use a tailor of their choosing. Shoulders should be close to the body in the jacket but not restrictive. Sleeves should fall so that they show a quarter- to a half-inch of shirt sleeves when arms are at the sides. An ill-fitting suit or tux can make a gentleman look sloppy. It is key to pay attention to sizing and use a shop that has a variety of styles that fit various body types.

Choose a classic style

No one wants to look outdated in their wedding pictures. By choosing a classic cut and color in a suit or tux, guys will look stylish no matter the year. Fun can be had with vest colors or bow ties.

Confirm the order

The entire wedding party can visit the tuxedo shop for selections and fit-

tings. The groom should call the store at least a month prior to the wedding to ensure that everyone has been fitted. Tuxes should be picked up a few days in advance of the wedding and tried on to ensure that everything fits and all accessories are included. This way last-minute alterations or

substitutions can be made.

Grooms and groomsmen can look dapper by selecting a classic suit or tuxedo, having it properly fitted and confirming that all wardrobe components are ready to go in time for the big day.



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Make a statement with your wedding cake



Brides and grooms may pour over every detail of their weddings, but few components of the festivities may be as fun, especially for foodies, as deciding what the wedding cake will look like. Couples who want to deliver show-stopping visuals often express some measure of their creativity and personalities through statement wedding cakes. Many couples now eschew the classic three-tiered white cake in

favor of a dessert that garners instant attention. Whether the cake is brightly colored or hand-painted, a towering architectural marvel or shimmering in metallics, couples are opting to make a statement with their confections. Apart from clever cake-toppers, here are ways to stand apart when dessert is served. According to the Perfect Wedding Guide, a rising trend in cakes is to cover a white or naked cake

with translucent glaze tinted in the couple's wedding colors. This artistic expression can be especially stunning in boho-chic weddings.

- Statement tiers also are popular. The cake may be traditional in nearly every way, but couples then set the cake apart by featuring an elaborate design or a different hue in one tier.
- Martha Stewart Weddings advises that more than just color can be used to make a statement. Lifelike sugar flowers can really set cakes apart. Guests may not be sure if they can consume all aspects of some cakes. But delicate sugar flowers taste as good as they look.
- Hand-painted tiles on a cake are another way to add panache. A bride and groom may be inspired by a European vacation or the stained-glass effects of religious windows and want to add that feel to the tiers of the cake.
- Sometimes a statement comes

by way of texture. Even an all-white cake can be dressed up with interesting textural effects. Ruffles, lace, embossing, and 3-D rosettes are different textural components that can be incorporated in cake designs.

- Couples also may want to tell their unique stories with cake. Individual tiers designed to reflect various milestone moments from the couple's relationship can be quite engaging.
- Capitalizing on the trend of edgier weddings, couples may opt for darker hues on their cakes — even a black tier — or nontraditional geometric shapes to the cake itself or its design elements.

Statement cakes can really say something about the couple getting married. Much like other wedding elements, cakes provide a window into the minds of happy couples.



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TIPS FOR PLANNING THE PERFECT HONEYMOON

Honeymoons are big business. According to a recent Conde Nast Bridal Infobank survey, the average couple spends more than \$5,000 on their honeymoon, indicating just how much meaning couples assign to their first official trip as newlyweds.

If the average spending on honeymoons seems high, it's important for couples working on budgets to realize that there are plenty of ways to plan memorable getaways without breaking the bank. Couples can keep the following strategies in mind as they plan their honeymoons.

- Plan and book early. In its 2016 Real Weddings Study, online wedding resource The Knot found that the average engagement length was 15 months. That gives couples plenty of time to plan their weddings, but also a great chance to book their honeymoons well in advance of their wedding days. Fifteen months affords couples the

chance to piece together the perfect honeymoon on their own or shop around for package deals.

- Delay the honeymoon. Couples without much wiggle room in their budgets or those who simply want to save money can delay their honeymoons, choosing to take their getaways months after they tie the knot. This provides couples with more traveling flexibility. And depending on when couples get married, delaying the honeymoon may push the trip into the vacationing off-season, when more affordable deals can often be found.
- Don't shy away from your newlywed status. Resorts might not advertise it, but many offer special amenities to honeymooning newlyweds. Some may provide complementary spa services, while others might offer free room upgrades if they have any vacancies. Such amenities may be grand or small, but no matter their size, they can make honeymoons feel more special.

- Give ample consideration to all-inclusive honeymoon packages. Whether couples are working on tight budgets or planning their honeymoons without regard to cost, all-inclusive packages may be worth the extra money upfront. All-inclusive packages tend to include meals, some beverages and fun activities that couples would otherwise have to pay for à la carte. All-inclusive packages may also remove some of the work of planning the honeymoon because couples won't need to tirelessly research activities and find the most affordable local vendors. Couples can examine the nuts and bolts of all-inclusive packages to make sure they include activities and foods they're likely to enjoy.

Planning a honeymoon takes work, but much of that work is fun, and couples who do their due diligence can save substantial amounts of money.

Wedding registry tips

Building a wedding registry is a task unlike any other couples may encounter during their lifetimes. Wedding registries are invaluable resources that provide engaged couples' loved ones with gift suggestions. In spite of that value, couples may find it daunting and even a little uncomfortable to build their wedding registries.

Building a wedding registry can feel like walking a tightrope. Couples likely won't want to ask for too much or for gifts that are too expensive, but a poorly built registry can be a major inconvenience for guests. The following tips can help couples build adequate registries that benefit them without asking too much of their guests.

- Register with more than one store. It's important to register with more than one store. Doing so makes things as convenient as possible for guests and increases the chances they will be able to shop at stores they're familiar with. Unless your guest list is predominantly local, try to register with at least one national chain so guests who live in different regions can shop for gifts in-person if they prefer to do so.
- Make a large list. Some couples are hesitant to make large wedding registries, feeling that doing so gives the impression that they're asking for

too much. But large registries simply give guests more options to choose from. Many industry insiders advise registering for two to three gifts per guest. That might seem like a lot, but guests will appreciate having all of those options.

- Don't hesitate to include expensive items on your registry. Couples also may be hesitant to include especially expensive items on their wedding registries. However, the couples' parents and other close relatives may be honored to purchase more expensive items, so couples should not feel embarrassed to include them on their lists. It's also important to note that many retailers, after couples' wedding days have come and gone, discount registry items that weren't purchased. So even if no one purchases the more expensive items, including them on a registry may significantly reduce their cost for couples who want to buy such items themselves after tying the knot.
- Vary the prices of items on the list. In addition to including more expensive items on the registry, make sure to include moderately priced and inexpensive items. This gives guests more options and ensures guests who might be spending a lot to travel to and from the wedding can still purchase gifts without digging too much deeper into their pockets.

- Periodically update the registries. Periodically update your registries to remove items you have already received and to add items if many of the less expensive ones have already

been purchased. This also makes things more convenient for guests.

Building a wedding registry is a unique task that couples can embrace as their wedding day draws near.



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Rustic bouquets add natural flair

Couples opting to get back to basics, streamline their nuptials and create more intimate and less superficial affairs often gravitate toward rustic celebrations to showcase their ideals. Rustic weddings also may appeal to environmentalists and men and women who want their weddings to be as eco-friendly as possible.

Rustic weddings may include those ceremonies and receptions that take place outdoors or in abodes, such as barns, wineries, castles, or converted silos or town factories.

Coordinating a rustic wedding may mean letting go of perceived notions of how everything from food to favors to flowers should be. In fact, one way to describe rustic weddings — and especially the floral arrangements that adorn them — is “purposely imperfect.”

Rustic wedding bouquets may seem like they were plucked right out of the garden or grabbed through a stroll in a meadow. They’re rarely symmetrical or fea-

ture the customary flowers of more formal wedding celebrations.

When designing rustic bouquets, florists may keep the stems of wildflowers or other blooms untethered for a relaxed feel. Long stemmed arrangements are quite popular, and trends point toward bouquets that are loosely tied with raffia, twine, vines and other natural materials rather than more refined ribbon.

Another way rustic bouquets set themselves apart is with the introduction of other elements into the arrangements. Not merely blooms and greenery, rustic pieces may feature twigs, vines, berries, scabiosa pods, ivy, and feathery ferns. The heights of elements in the bouquet are varied, and the bouquets will not have an overly uniform shape. Rustic bouquets are far from pretentious, and brides shouldn’t feel that these bouquets are delicate or will fall apart when handled.

When planning a rustic wedding, couples can work with their florists to create bouquets and arrangements that fit with their visions.



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MERGING FINANCES AFTER TYING THE KNOT

Happy couples experience various changes after tying the knot. One of those changes concerns couples' finances.

Couples who make early efforts to get on the same page concerning finances may have smoother waters ahead than those who delay such discussions.

- Establish goals together. Couples should define their financial goals together. Is it a goal to save for early retirement? Is a house in the immediate future? Is frequent travel a desire? Are we planning to contribute much to future children's educations? These questions and more need to be ad-

ressed early on. By creating a financial plan together, couples can more clearly map out their financial futures.

- Combining accounts may be easier. Some couples want to maintain their full financial independence. But combining accounts can help couples avoid arguments about secrecy and concerns about partner spending. Combining accounts also affords couples a clearer picture of their spending and saving habits.

- Assess debts as a team. One person may be bringing more debt to the marriage than another. It's important for all cards to be on the table and to work together to eradicate

debt. If a person will be coming to the marriage with poor credit, it may be worth it to keep things separate until a spouse works on remedying his or her finances, according to Credit.com.

- Decide how to split expenses. One partner may make more money than the other, and one may spend more time handling household needs or future childcare responsibilities. Couples need to agree whether one person pays for certain bills exclusively, whether they spend from one salary and save the other, or combine finances completely and spend equally, offers NerdWallet.

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